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Chamber's new marketing plan closer than you think

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Times may be hard but the 1990s is the time to stand up and be noticed.

That's the message from the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, which is launching an aggressive new marketing campaign to get the county known across North America as a major tourist destination.

With a glossy new tourist guide, a new county map, a new slogan and a planned series of videos, the Chamber wants people to know the Highlands are open for business.

The marketing plans were unveiled at a meeting of the Chamber last Tuesday night at the Wig-A-Mog Inn, attended by more than 50 local business people.

"We went back to Marketing 101 and looked at the product — the Highlands of Haliburton," said Andy Salvatori, chairman of

the Chamber's marketing committee. "We came up with a marketing plan that is pro-active and focussed."

The Chamber is hoping its tourism strategy will be backed up this week by a provincial government announcement of funding for the county's trails network strategy.

Anne Swarbrick, the Minister of Culture, Recreation and Tourism will be in Haliburton on Wednesday and Thursday. It's expected she will announce funding for the trails program.

(The trails strategy is a co-operative effort by the Chamber, the

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HERE'S HALIBURTON: Chamber of Commerce President Brian Dean shows off the new county map, part of a new marketing strategy.

Willoughby Allen dies in prison

An inquest into the death of 69-year-old Willoughby Allen began yesterday in Cobourg.

Allen died last August of natural causes. The former Haliburton and Kinmount resident was an inmate of Warkworth Institution north of Brighton. He had just begun his sentence after being found guilty of the murder of his wife, Isabel.

In 1987, the Allens became residents of Parklane Apartments, a senior citizens apartment building in Haliburton. After years of an abusive relationship, she was found dead in their apartment on March 7, 1991. She had been bludgeoned with a wrench.

Her husband was later convicted of murdering her and was sentenced to life imprisonment with no chance of parole for 10 years.

Although Willoughby Allen died of natural causes, an inquest must be held every time an inmate dies in a correctional institution. The inquest, which was held in conjunction with the death of another inmate, began February 28 in Cobourg.

Province won't drop JrK. program: Rae

Premier says it's an investment in the future

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Ontario Premier Bob Rae says his government won't abandon its junior kindergarten program, despite budget restraints in other education sectors.

Rae said on Friday that schoolchildren in Haliburton County wouldn't be well served if his government allowed the local school board to opt out of a program that is available in 90 per cent of schools in the province.

"I don't think the people of

Haliburton want their kids to be falling behind," said Rae, who described the program as an "extra investment" in children, an investment that prepares them for their grade school education.

The premier confirmed his government's commitment to junior kindergarten at a press conference in Lindsay last Friday.

He was in the riding to speak at a fundraising lunch for Art Field, the NDP candidate in the Victoria-Haliburton by-election set for March 17.

The Haliburton County school

board is opposed to the implementation of JrK. in the county because of its cost and a lack of space for classrooms. Trustees have also voiced concerns about busing three-year-old children long distances to school.

More than 50 letters of protest have been sent to the ministry by local parents. The Haliburton County Taxpayers Coalition is also organizing a petition opposing the program in Haliburton County because of the added tax burden.

Rae's comments on Friday squelched hopes that the JrK. program, which is supported by provincial grants, might be a victim of last week's federal budget.

Earlier in the week Rae had said cuts in some new provincial programs were a strong possibility because of a reduction in federal transfer funding, announced in the federal budget.

University and college tuition rates are expected to go up and doubt has been cast on the future of the government's universal day care proposal.

Education Minister Dave Cooke also warned last week that provincial grants to school boards could be one of the victims of the federal transfer cuts.

But on Friday Rae said the junior kindergarten process was already underway. Budget constraints wouldn't interfere with it.

Last year the province promised grants of \$286,000 to Haliburton County to help with the implementation of junior kindergarten. The board must come up with another \$200,000.

Haliburton's school board filed an appeal last month with the Ministry of Education, seeking to delay implementation until 1996.

The ministry's response is expected by May 1.

If Haliburton is forced to implement the full program in September it would add \$200,000 to the 1994-95 school budget. The board is in the middle of preparing its budget and it hasn't, so far, included the expenses for JrK. They would include the hiring of four new teachers and extra classroom space and supplies.

Ontario's junior kindergarten program is designed to give children as young as three-years-old an early start on their education. Student enrolment is voluntary — parents don't have to send their children to junior kindergarten — but once they are enrolled they must attend regularly, as with other school programs.

OPP charges 18 locals for string of thefts

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Minden OPP have laid charges against 18 young local men after a rash of cottage break-ins and snowmobile thefts.

The charges end an intensive investigation by Sgt. Steve Adam, Det. Const. Brian Sachs and Sr. Consts. Ken Wesley and Ron Buchanan.

"They've really been concentrating on it for the past two weeks," says Const. Michael Landry, Minden's information officer. As they'd work on one theft, there'd be a tie to another. "It was just folding together."

Landry says there's a big mar-

ket for stolen snowmobiles in the city. "Snowmobile thefts are big business because they're easy to move (sell), either by parts or by machine," he says. It doesn't help that it's much easier to tamper with snowmobile ignitions than car ignitions, and that many snowmobilers are accustomed to leaving their keys in their machines.

The charges encompass 34 break, enter and thefts; 14 thefts of snow vehicles; two thefts of ATVs; and two thefts of motor vehicles. About half of the people charged are young offenders, and because they are younger than 18, they cannot be named. Some

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Board pressured to cut numbers

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Trustees have to re-assess their own role

Under pressure from the province, Haliburton County's school trustees are being forced to decide for themselves if taxpayers really need them.

The Ontario government has changed the Education Act to allow school boards to reduce their own numbers. It's pressuring trustees to respond — by March 31 — as a money-saving measure and to lessen the education bureaucracy.

But Haliburton trustees say that cutting the number of school trustees won't save money for the county's taxpayers.

And if cuts must be made they would rather have the province do the dirty work.

"I don't think we should be the hatchet people. I don't want any part of it," said Dysart et al trustee Wayne Wood.

He was speaking at last Tuesday's school board meeting.

The board's chairman, Lloyd Griffiths, said there were a wide range of choices facing the trustees. He provided a list of five possible options. They included the reducing their number from 15 to as few as 10 trustees by combining representation between some municipalities.

"They are thinking points...items to discuss with constituents," said Griffiths.

Lutterworth trustee Cheryl Murdoch thought if cuts were made any savings would be shortlived at a board like Haliburton's.

She said in her 16 years on the board trustees have always carried a fairly serious workload.

"If we were to reduce our numbers drastically we may save \$6,000 (per trustee) but in a year we'd have to hire full time administrators to pick up the slack," said Murdoch.

Murdoch suggested the real target of the province is the large boards with trustees earning \$50,000 a year or more, with expense accounts tacked on.

And like Wood, she also didn't want the responsibility of deciding who would go and who would stay on the Haliburton board.

Prior to the legislative changes, boards couldn't be smaller than the allowable size, but they could be larger.

Now there is no limit on decreasing the number of trustees, although a trustee can't vote on a decrease that would "have the effect of preventing the board from carrying out its duties."

With the changes to the legislation the trustees must now pass a resolution just to stay the way

they are.

The 15 trustees now on the board exceed the number (12 plus one separate school) determined appropriate by the province, based on population levels. They must pass a resolution before March 31, approved by three quarters of the board, to keep all 15 trustees.

The NDP government has been threatening action on the size and influence of Ontario school boards since early last year.

Premier Bob Rae has said there is too much bureaucracy in school boards and too much of a gap between what goes on in the classroom and the bureaucracy that runs the schools.

Last spring, then Education Minister Tony Silipo said the

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Here, There & Everywhere...

Happy retirement to Don Grant, a valued friend and supporter of the Echo. He started his journalism career working for Robertson Davies at the Peterborough Examiner (an opportunity of a lifetime!!!), and then moved on to the Toronto Telegram. When it folded, he wrote for the Globe and Mail and as weekend editor, he has hired such Echo alumni as Sally Ritchie and Susan Campbell. He's also been a voice of encouragement for Echo editor Martha Perkins, who'd phone him when she needed advice about a story or had a story to share. He's a true "news" paper man, who knows what readers want and how to give it to them. At the Echo at least, we know what a fine journalist the profession is losing, but we wish him all the best and happy baseball at the SkyDome.

Several all-candidates meetings have been arranged so you can hear the views of the three people vying to become the riding's MPP. On March 7, the Haliburton County Homebuilders Association is inviting the candidates to discuss specific issues relevant to the construction industry. It's at Mattson's Country Club and for more information, please contact Gary Burch at 457-3837. On March 17, the Haliburton and District Real Estate Board asks everyone to attend an all-candidates meeting at Hyland Crest in Minden, starting at 7 p.m. This is the only debate the board will be sponsoring this election. On March 10, the Kimmount Civic Action Committee is sponsoring an all-candidates meeting at the Kimmount Community Hall. It starts at 7:30 p.m.

In other by-election news, former MPP John Eakins has endorsed Liberal candidate Sharon McCrae. He is hosting a luncheon for her in Lindsay on March 4 and will take her on a walk-about at the Lindsay mall afterwards. She will be campaigning in Haliburton village on March 1. Meanwhile, NDP candidate Art Field is holding a public forum at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School tomorrow (Wednesday, March 2) at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria. Special guest will be Anne Swarbrick, Minister of Culture, Tourism and Recreation. The public will have the opportunity to question the minister and Art Field in a question and answer period.

We're happy to report that a Haliburton family has been happily reunited with their pet dog. Syd decided to go for a walk on his own a few weeks ago, and as a result, the happy-go-lucky Shepherd/Sheltie mix was picked up by Dysart's dog controller. Syd was put in the pound over night, but when the owners, Allen and Cathy Reid, arrived the next day to retrieve him, he was gone. The distraught family put an ad in the Echo asking for help. Within days, they got a call from another family who had been told that they could simply take the dog from the pound. (By the way, that's not Dysart's official policy.) Syd and his family have been happily reunited. If only dogs could talk...

Nancy Brink of Nancy's Flowers reminds everyone that the Sunday Supper Club meets this Sunday at 5 p.m. at the West Guilford Community Centre.

Home Support is hosting three free seminars: on April 5 you can find out all about the programs it offers; pre-register by April 1. On April 11 in conjunction with the HELP Centre, there's "Surviving in the '90s." It will be at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre in Wilberforce, with pre-registration by April 5. Two local funeral directors will be speaking about the importance of pre-arranging funerals on April 12 at the Drop-in Centre.

Trustees must decide their own fate

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province needed to study the possibility of eliminating school boards altogether.

"The role that school boards play, and indeed...whether school boards should continue to exist, is clearly one of the issues that keeps coming up."

He spoke after Scarborough school trustees voted themselves a 64 per cent salary increase and refused to reverse the decision when taxpayers protested.

In September of last year the province established the Ontario

Parent Council. The 18 members of the council are volunteers from across the province, selected by the Ontario government. It's been described as an attempt to get parents more involved in the education system.

But Ontario's school board trustees, who are elected every three years, fear the Parent Council will usurp their role.

Last week the Parent Council was asked by a government minister to consider the creation of local parent councils across the province.

With that as a background, the Haliburton trustees must show they are responsive to public needs and that they have an economic value.

Some trustees had already polled taxpayers before coming to last week's meeting and they found them reluctant to lose their representative on the school board.

"I've spoken to quite a number of people in the east end of the county," said Griffiths, the trustee for Bicroft/Cardiff.

He said they say the same three things. First they ask how many trustees there are. When told there are 15 (14 plus one separate school) they think that's too many. But they don't know if any community will want to give up its representative.

Anson, Hindon, Minden trustee Wendy Ladurantaye said the people she has spoken to don't want to lose their own representative, but they also don't want to see smaller municipalities go without.

Some taxpayers made the comparison between the \$16 million school budget and the average municipal budget, and comparative representation. For example Anson, Hindon Minden has three school board trustees and five county councillors. Its municipal budget was \$2,448,000 for 1993-94.

Sherborne trustee John Munro said his concern was that it would be difficult to get fair representation by sharing a trustee with another municipality.

"Of all the areas, the Sherborne area is quite distinct, and doesn't amalgamate well with any other areas. The needs of that community and school could be overlooked."

He said the people he had spoken to in his constituency were generally satisfied with the board and felt they were well served by it.

Dysart et al trustee Tim Casey said he didn't think people would be willing to pay their share of the education bill if they weren't being represented.

The trustees' discussion raised other issues. With the present system the board worked well and any changes could disrupt the good relationships amongst the trustees. Also, it was felt that other boards with a similar number of schools and students had many more staff than Haliburton. Munro cited as an example Prince Edward County, which he said had 27 people in the board's administration, compared to nine in Haliburton.

The board will have to make their decision at the next board meeting on March 29.

Locals face 52 theft charges

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of the people charged are students at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

The following is a break down of the charges. With the break and enter charges, there was also theft of property, primarily electronic appliances and alcohol, Landry says.

- charged with theft of nine snowmobiles in the Salerno Lake area are two young offenders and Wayne Barr, 18 of Gooderham and Jamie Teatro, 19 of Haliburton

- charged with two break and enters and the theft of one snowmobile at Kennis Lake are three young offenders and Karl Mueller, 18 of Stanhope

- charged with two separate thefts of snowmobiles from the Norley Road area are Mueller and two young offenders. They are also charged with two separate break and enters on the Barry Line

- charged with breaking into three cottages on Steeplechase Road off Hwy. 118 are Mueller and one young offender

- charged with the attempted theft of three snowmobiles from Lake Kashagawigamog are one young offender and Teatro, Barr, Troy Emmerson, 18, and Ryan Griffin, 20, of Haliburton

- charged with a break and enter in Gooderham is a young offender

- charged with 12 break and enters in the Koshlong Lake area are two young offenders and Teatro

- charged with the theft of an ATV from Lake Kashagawigamog are one young offender and Barr

- charged with the theft of a snowmobile from Kenmar Lodge is Griffin

- charged with three break and enters on Wolf Lake, eight cottage break-ins and the theft of an ATV from Lorraine Lake, and the theft of two snowmobiles from Wolf Lake are Melvin Mintz, 19, and Stephen Riel, 27, both of Gooderham

- charged with the theft of two Jeeps from Elstone Motors are two young offenders. The Jeeps were taken for joy rides and damaged. One Jeep was totalled

- charged with a break, enter and theft at the Wilberforce Curling Club are three young offenders and Jayson Grant, 19 of Wilberforce.

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Videos will sell Highlands

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county's Community Futures organization, politicians, business people and residents. It will eventually link trails of all kinds - from skiing to craft tours - in a network of tourist routes across the county.)

The Chamber's marketing program will give a head start to tourism in the area while the trails strategy is being developed. The chamber will target seasonal attractions - snowmobiling in the winter and a series of weekend sporting events, carnivals and festivals in the summer - and flood potential markets with information about them.

The new slogan - "The Haliburton Highlands. It's closer than you think" - is on the cover of the 1994 destination guide. There will be 15,000 copies of the guide mailed out to the United States and across Ontario.

The map, originally produced by Sir Sandford Fleming College and printed by County Commercial Printers in Haliburton, highlights the major tourist attractions and parks in the county.

But the big project is the planned series of videos showing winter, summer and special events around the county.

The foundation for the project was the The Sports Network's filming of this year's sled dog derby in Minden. The crew also filmed other attractions in the area when they were here in February, and returned two weeks ago to film at Sir Sam's ski resort.

"Our goal is to develop a video library of activities," said Salvatori.

He said the initial focus will be on snowmobilers, a market that Salvatori said will give the county "the biggest bang for our

buck." The winter videos will be shown at trade and tourism shows, including this fall's snowmobile show in Toronto. They will also be sent to clubs and organizations in Michigan and Illinois.

With the winter events videos well under way, the Chamber will start work on a summer video this year. There will be a series of short videos running about seven minutes with an individual theme such as fishing or whitewater canoeing, and a longer video which will promote the county as a whole.

The Chamber will target a planned fishing derby this summer and the whitewater events in Minden in 1995 for the summer season video. Other videos will highlight weekend events like Horseshoe Days and summer fairs.

County Warden Jim McMahon, who spoke briefly at the meeting, said later he was encouraged by the Chamber's plans.

"They are heading in the right direction. There's a lot of work being done by individuals. That's what impressed me."

In his speech to the Chamber McMahon said he'd just returned from a convention in Toronto, where he had met with provincial politicians.

"What I'm hearing down there is, if you want to make it work you've got to do it yourself," said McMahon.

Chamber president Brian Dean said he was always looking for volunteers to work on the Chamber's programs.

The tourism strategy was the work of as many as 20 volunteers who, said Salvatori, brought their creativity and passion for the Highlands to a project that could have a major impact on the future of the county.

Fire response a credit to community

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the February 24 meeting of Anson, Hindon and Minden council.

St. Valentine's Day fire

It may not go down in the history books as the St. Valentine's Day fire, but the Jug City fire on February 14 affected many members of the community. Berry had a few words of praise for all the people who worked on the fire and who helped with the mop up. "It was great to see the community pull together," said Berry. "Part of living in a small community is that people pull together when the need is there."

He praised the local firefighters, as well as those from Dysart and Stanhope who helped fight the blaze, for their professionalism and co-operation in working together. Staff from the municipal office and many local businesses provided food and hot drinks for the firefighters, who were at the site through the night. The rest of council agreed with Berry's

assessment that it was a great show of community support.

Cango kiosk

The owners of the Cango Gas Bar at the site of the Jug City fire sought, and received, support from council to set up a temporary kiosk at the site, so they can re-open their business. Leon and Joyce Wright said the kiosk would be in place for a maximum of six months while a new building was being constructed. The gas pumps and underground storage tanks weren't damaged by the fire and the Wrights would like to get back into business as quickly as possible.

Building extension

The owner of property on Highway 121 received an extension of a permit to build. Archie Dobbins, owner of Epsilon Satellite, appeared before council to request the extension. The 12,000 square foot residence and business building was approved three years ago but Dobbins said the economic climate had delayed action. He is now ready to start building and expects the exterior work to be completed by this winter. With all the interior work done within another year, Council approved an exten-

sion of the permit to November 30, 1995.

New restaurant

Council gave its support to a request for a liquor licence for a new restaurant in Minden village. Glenda Cowling who, with her husband John owns the Village Donuts store in Haliburton, is planning to open a family restaurant in Minden at the site of the old K and A Restaurant. Cowling appeared before council to give them details of her plans for the restaurant and get their backing for the liquor licence. She said the restaurant, which will be called Village Donuts and Family Restaurant, will open in about a month after both the interior and exterior of the building have been extensively renovated.

In response to questions from council, she said there will not be an outside patio area and the restaurant intends to serve only beer, wines and liquors. Drinks will only be served if a meal is ordered. The store plans to open Monday and Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday to Saturday from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Parking will be provided at the rear of the building.

"It will bring family dining back into town," said Cowling. Council will complete the neces-

sary documentation giving its backing to the liquor licensing application. "We certainly wish you every success," said Reeve Bern Berry. The final decision on a licence is made by the Ontario Liquor Licensing Board.

Winter Carnival wrap-up

After a successful Winter Carnival the organizing committee wants to hand the project back to the community. The committee was formed last fall when it appeared the carnival wouldn't be held at all. Berry, Councillor Jeanne Anthon and Clerk-Treasurer Tammy McKelvey were heavily involved in the organizing. Berry said he hoped next year would see members of the community stepping forward. The committee is planning a public meeting for September to start preparations for the 1995 carnival. In a review of the 1994 events at the February 17 meeting of the committee a number of changes were suggested for the future. They included running a Teen Dance on the Thursday night before the carnival and more adult activities such as cross country skiing.

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Rae looks ahead to '95 on by-election visit

■ NDP is balanced and fair, opponents are "mean", says Premier Rae

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Premier Bob Rae said last Friday that it's the New Democratic Party that best represents the basic values of the people of Ontario — not the "strident and mean" Progressive Conservatives or the ineffectual Liberals.

Rae was speaking at a fundraising lunch in Lindsay for Art Field, the NDP candidate in Victoria-Haliburton's March 17 by-election. Rae's visit was intended to boost the candidate's local campaign.

But Rae also took the opportunity to lay the groundwork for next year's provincial election, attacking the leaders of the other major parties and defending his own government's record.

"When I look at the opposition I don't hear the voice of Bill Davis or John Roberts," said Rae, referring to the Progressive Conservative leaders of the 1960s and 1970s. "I hear a strident, mean, right wing tone. I don't like it."

Nor was he impressed with the Liberals.

"When I hear the Liberals I don't hear anything. I don't hear a will or capability to take one difficult decision...."

"I think the people of the province, in their heart of hearts, want a government that's going to be balanced and fair. I believe they want a government that is (protecting) the interests of all of Ontario."

Rae came to speak in a riding the NDP won in the 1990 provincial election, with Dennis



Premier Bob Rae (with NDP candidate Art Field) startles a young Lindsay shopper during his walkabout Friday. So far voters seem unimpressed with the election campaign.

Drainville as the party's candidate.

But Drainville quit the party last year to sit as an independent MPP after a series of disagreements over government policies.

(Five months later Drainville resigned his seat to run in last October's federal election. This month's by-election will fill that vacancy at Queen's Park.)

With the NDP running far off the pace in recent province-wide public opinion polls, and Drainville out of the picture, the by-election in Victoria-Haliburton is wide open.

Candidates for the other two parties — Progressive Conservative Chris Hodgson and Liberal candidate Sharon McCrae — have already brought their party leaders to the riding to boost their campaigns.

Victoria-Haliburton's NDP association organized the \$10-a-head lunch in Lindsay on Friday. It was attended by almost a hundred of the party faithful, the

local media and a smattering of national newspaper reporters.

The Grand Experience Restaurant on Kent Street was half empty when Rae arrived about 15 minutes ahead of schedule.

He entered almost unnoticed by the few people already at the restaurant and quickly toured the room, introducing himself and shaking hands.

But the room was filled to capacity when Art Field officially introduced him 45 minutes later.

In his half-hour speech — a combination of humour, anger, self-deprecation and a fervent defence of his policies — Rae listed some of the major financial payments promised, or already given, to Haliburton County.

They included \$6.5-million of capital funding to improve the county's hospitals, money he said would create 210 jobs and upgrade Hyland Crest Senior Citizens' Home. (In a press conference after his speech he con-

firmed that his government is still committed to giving the county the hospital funding, despite the government's economic woes.)

He also mentioned the \$7.4-million in sewage plant grants, a \$1.3-million infrastructure payment promised to the county, and \$250,000 from jobsOntario for the re-opened Harcourt Lumber mill.

Speaking only three days after the release of the federal Liberal's budget, Rae was still smarting from what he called the \$3-billion hole left by a shortfall in federal transfer payments to Ontario.

He compared it to what he sees as the more favourable treatment of Quebec.

"A citizen of Victoria County or Haliburton County who is on

welfare in this community gets 29 cents from the federal government. Across the river in the Province of Quebec he'd be getting 50 cents. I want the same deal for the Province of Ontario as Brian Mulroney and Jean Chrétien have given the Province of Quebec."

He said the preferential treatment was costing his government, the municipalities and the taxpayers of Ontario \$3-billion a year.

A strong Ontario was vital to the health of Canada, said Rae.

But the province has undergone the most dramatic economic changes since the 1930s.

"The set of economic rules that applied to the last decade have changed...and those jobs have gone."

Ontario's economy won't be returning to the way it was in the 1955, 1965 or 1975 and that meant changes in government spending and priorities.

"We can't spend a whole ton of money we don't have," said Rae.

But his government had

attempted to be balanced and fair in dealing with the fallout from what he described as structural changes in the economic life of Ontario.

Defending the Social Contract negotiations, he said his government had saved 40,000 jobs in the public sector.

But restraint on expenditures was vital if the government was to continue to fund infrastructure and building programs and create more jobs.

If the province is to do more building, people who do have a job will have to live with a little bit less.

"You have to look beyond your own little self-interests."

After his speech and press conference Rae travelled to Bobcaygeon where he toured some clean water projects and attended a reception at the municipal offices.

He then returned to Lindsay and walked along Kent Street with Art Field, introducing himself to shop owners and members of the public.

Dennis who?

The ghost of former New Democratic MPP Dennis Drainville rose again last week.

Drainville's name came up at a press conference given by Premier Bob Rae during his visit to Lindsay on Friday.

But discussion of Drainville was quickly slapped down by Rae, who seemed disinclined to discuss the rebel MPP.

Drainville first quit his party and then quit his Victoria-Haliburton seat last year, after three years at Queen's Park.

A Lindsay reporter asked Rae if the NDP would be hampered in the by-election by Drainville's criticism of the party, and his resignation from the government.

Rae responded tartly.

"I don't think there is any way of answering that question....I don't even know where he is."

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Elizabeth and Tom Johnson of Omeme haven't heard much of the candidates' message in the riding's by-election campaign. But like other voters they have a message of their own — the people of Victoria-Haliburton need jobs

By-election candidates are still no-names in Lindsay

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Perhaps the Winter Olympics have distracted voters' attention away from the by-election flyers and posters.

Perhaps voters have just overdosed on election fever after last October's federal race.

Whatever the reason, with less than three weeks to go to Victoria-Haliburton's by-election, it would seem the three candidates still have a lot of work to do in the riding's biggest voting centre.

In Lindsay last Friday, an informal Echo survey of people on the town's main thoroughfare of

Kent Street — within sight or shouting distance of the candidates' campaign headquarters — showed many people are thus far untouched by all the electioneering.

With a population of 17,000 the town of Lindsay is expected to be a decisive factor in the election on March 17.

All three candidates have their campaign offices there and all three have invested a good deal of their campaign time wooing the town's voters.

They have all brought their leaders to the hotly contested riding. Liberal leader Lyn McLeod was in town twice in the past month. Today (Tuesday) the

Progressive Conservatives are bringing party leader Mike Harris to Lindsay for a public meeting. And last Friday the local NDP association brought in Premier Bob Rae to give a boost to its candidate.

But, like much of the campaigning to date, the premier's walk along Kent Street on a cold and blustery February afternoon went largely unnoticed.

The Echo questioned people at random on Kent Street on the same afternoon, getting their views on the by-election.

While voters appear to be immune, so far, to the candidates' appeals for their votes, there were similarities in the answers they gave to the Echo.

The first obvious finding was that most people didn't know the names of the candidates. Only one person was able to name all three — Sharon McCrae (Liberal),

Art Field (NDP) and Chris Hodgson (Progressive Conservative).

A lot of people didn't care to know.

"There's the blue guys, the red guys and the NDP," was the way Kelly Gribbons put it.

Those who didn't know, but said they'll check out the candidates before election day, have one priority — jobs.

"I think it's awful," said Irene Cowan. "I have a son in his 40s with a house and a family and he's out of work."

Cowan, who described herself as semi-retired, has just started a part-time hostess job at Arby's in Lindsay to supplement her pension.

Like most of the other people who were questioned about their election preferences, Cowan said the hometown of the candidate

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EDITORIAL

There's an election, remember?

Let's hope that the people in Haliburton County are a bit more attuned to politics than a group of people recently polled in Lindsay. When our staff reporter was in Lindsay to cover a visit from Premier Bob Rae, she used the opportunity to find out what the people in the southern half of the riding are thinking about as the provincial by-election approaches. However, in on-the-street interviews in both Lindsay and Bobcaygeon, only one person could name all three candidates. One person. That certainly indicates there's a lot of interest in who becomes the next MPP.

One of the problems with a by-election is that it doesn't have all the hype of a regular election. You don't read about it every day in the Globe or the Star, the World at Six doesn't remind you that this is something you should be concerned about. As well, there's little of the political intrigue. Assuming that the NDP won this riding in 1990 on the strength of Dennis Drainville, and he's now out of the picture, it's fairly safe to say that either the Conservatives or the Liberals will win. That means whoever is chosen as MPP will be in the opposition, not in power. That means having little control over the issues that make people want to vote in the first place. People simply don't see this as a chance to change the things they don't like or promote the things they do like. It's a stop-gap until the real election takes place next year.

But that doesn't mean people should be complacent. In Haliburton County, at least, there is a bit more interest because the Conservative candidate, Chris Hodgson, is well-known and local. In a rural area, it's also easier to band people together over certain issues — junior kindergarten, healthcare, lumber... You can get a sense of what's important, what buttons to push, when everyone is fairly united in their concerns. Of course, everyone's top priority is jobs, jobs, jobs, but all the parties are concentrating on that, and it's always difficult to separate the rhetoric from the realm of the possible.

What must be stressed, again and again, is the importance of voting. If you don't, then the final results are determined by who has the biggest party apparatus and can drive more voters to the polls. What happens to the people who don't really care what party gets in as long as they can live their lives in relative prosperity and contentment? Their voices don't get heard because they don't have the incentive; meanwhile, party faithful are well-organized and determined.

The by-election falls on March 17, right in the middle of the March Break. After such a cold winter, you can be sure that people have been hoarding their pennies to make sure they can escape to the sunny south, or at least to Toronto where there are more things to do indoors. If past school breaks are anything to judge by, there will be more cottagers than locals on the streets on March 17. Because the school board has deemed that the break will begin on Friday 11, that means most holidayers will only have one chance to vote before they go. There is an advanced poll on Thursday, March 10 and people should make every effort to vote. The riding does need a voice at Queen's Park, and that voice should be a true reflection of the people in the riding. Besides, think of it as practice for the real provincial election next year.

M.P.

All Letters to the Editor must be signed, and may be edited for length

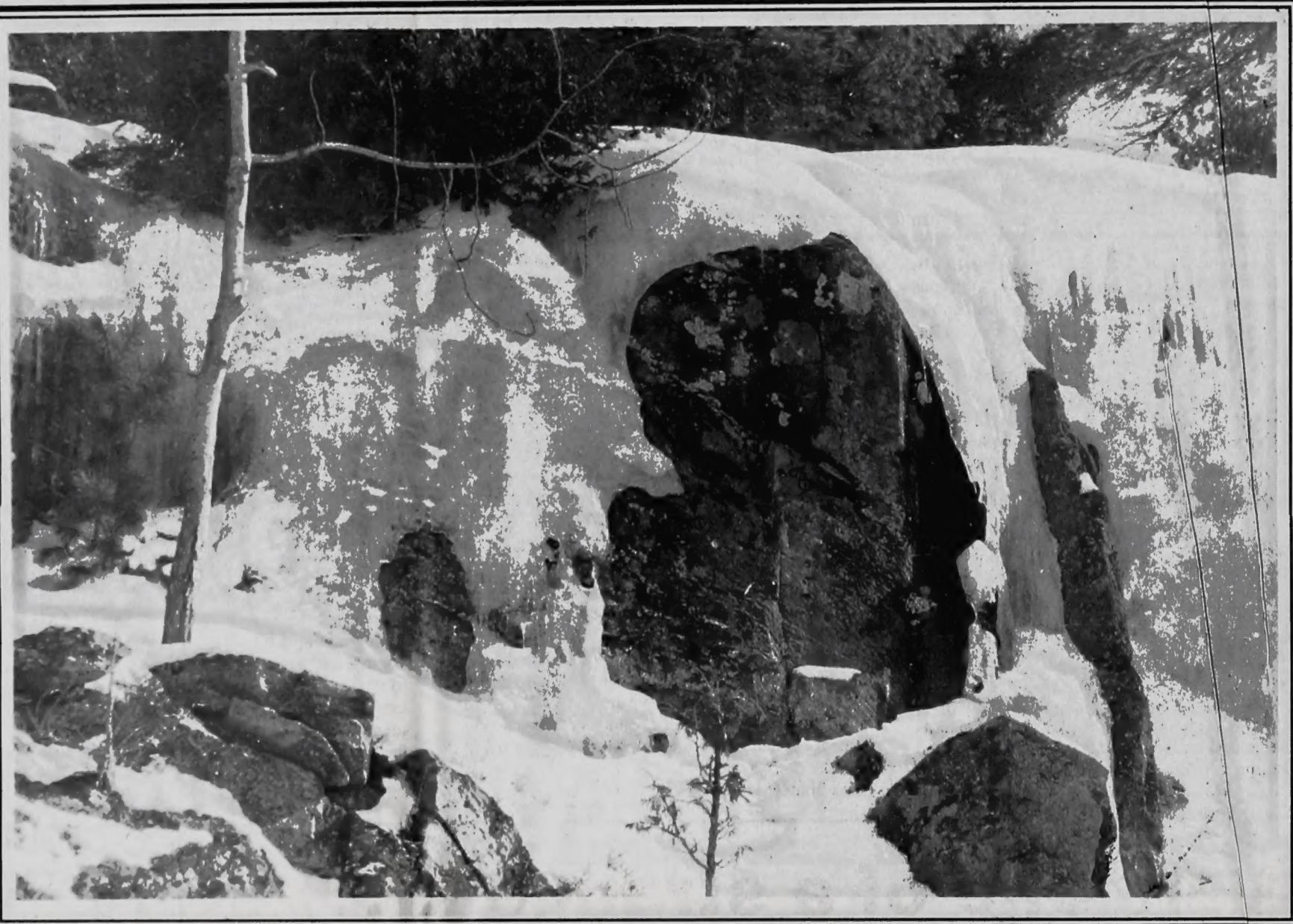


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Province a master at arm twisting

To the Editor from our Readers

Editor's Note: The following letter was sent to Premier Bob Rae.

Dear Sir:

Let me quote your recent remarks to the press, regarding the Prime Minister and the tobacco tax issue. "This isn't co-operation. This is putting your arm up behind your back and bending it until it breaks, and saying 'Face reality.'" And then again, "(Chretien) is forcing us to do things we don't want to do and that is what I find, particularly, frankly reprehensible."

Mr. Premier isn't this exactly how you and your government are behaving toward the lower levels of government and their constituents, regarding the Junior Kindergarten issue? Here we have community after community opposing an initiative for well defined and legitimate reasons.

- i.e.:
- bussing very young children long distances.
 - the obvious issue of cost, where a day doesn't pass that we don't hear of cutbacks in essential services.
 - the needless and unwanted regimentation of the very young, etc., etc.

I quote you again. "I really think the federal government should reconsider what they're doing." If we substitute Provincial for Federal, we have it about right.

Weldemar Butz,
Concerned grandparent and taxpayer,
Haliburton County.

Healthcare efforts undone

To the Editor:

Given that less than one-third of adult Canadians smoke, it is curious that the tobacco industry and various other business interests have so quickly mobilized political support to roll back taxes on cigarettes. It appears that all of the work and effort of the health care community, over the past twenty years, to stem the epidemic of tobacco-related disease and death could be undone within a few short weeks. Why is it that politicians can be so quickly mobilised to support tobacco and business interests but are so slow to respond to over thirty thousand premature Canadian deaths annually?

Those who frame the issue of adults to chose an unhealthy behaviour ignore that tobacco is both an

addictive substance and that the vast majority of adult smokers became addicted as children. If the tobacco industry depended solely upon the addiction of informed adults, their sales would shrivel within a single generation. Usage would drop to perhaps only a few percent, tens of thousands of premature deaths and hundreds of thousands of illnesses would be avoided.

When we can be so quick and decisive in responding to the crime of cigarette smuggling, why are we so slow to respond to the crime of addiction of our children and grandchildren?

A. Hukowich, M.D., C.C.F.P., D.P.H.
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Health Unit.

Just one school system

To the Editor:

I would like to ask the candidates in the upcoming by-election this question: Why can't we have one school system? There's a public school system, Catholic school system, and several independent religious schools and this province can't afford it. We have too much debt already and half of our municipal taxes go to schools. We have to keep up our roads and other services and why should the schools get so much money?

Garnet Graham, 85 years old,
Fendon Falls

Sweet home, Haliburton

by SCOTT POOLE
Special to the Echo

SOMEONE RECENTLY ASKED ME where I was from. I had to stop and think. Were they asking where I was born? Born in Regina in March, my father told me we stayed there just long enough to pack the Volkswagen and get out. Could they have wanted to know where I had just been? I had recently come back to Winnipeg after a short stint in Vancouver. I had lived there just long enough to think, when I returned after a vacation, that I had come home. But that was home with a small 'h'. Winnipeg was where I spent most of my growing years, should it not have gained that capital H on home. Somehow, it never had. When asked where you are from, maybe you should fall back on the old adage, "home is where the heart is", and my heart has always rested in the Highlands of Haliburton, Ontario.

"Haliburton Highlands is for lovers", or so said the buttons my father sold in our family tourist trap. It was the home of my childhood, the home my mother and her extended family, and the home of memories too fond to be real. Attached to all my thoughts were the images of people and places that made someplace your hometown. My grandfather taught me how to fish in the same lake where he had taught his kids. An aunt of mine created theme birthday cakes capturing or dreams in batter for a day. We had a beaver pond out behind our home. In the winter we played hockey and wandered around setting off the traps developers had set for the beaver, and in the summer we

swam and then tore the dam apart to create our own river.

Haliburton meant security, the safety of going home to something or someone who never seemed to change and offered you that certain something that although you knew you needed, you didn't realize exactly what it might be. Haliburton knew, even if you didn't. Haliburton meant monarch butterflies and milkweed. Haliburton meant fiery falls that covered the Highlands with colour marking the beginning of the hockey and curling seasons.

I visited my home last summer. Walking through streets, which hadn't change since my sister first taught me how to ride a bike, I could breathe deeply the memories of my childhood. I felt safe, protected by its forests, exploring paths that only I remembered to places that only I would want to go.

I had left Vancouver carrying questions about my future with my dreams packed away looking for answers somewhere out there. I left Vancouver feeling abandoned by the world, lost and outside. I took a train through the States and found nothing but moments of happiness just beyond my reach. My trip ended in Haliburton on a hill, where I used to tempt death on a sleigh, overlooking the yard of my youth watching a monarch butterfly resting on the leaves of a milkweed plant and realizing that I had come from somewhere, and suddenly knowing I could always go back home.

Scott Poole is a freelance writer living in Winnipeg with his parents, Rick and Eleanor (nee Sisson). They used to own Poole's Laurentian Variety Store, where Butcher Block is today.

Deserts, dams and new casinos



**THE VIEW
FROM HERE**
HARVEY CLARKE

THE LAST COLUMN you may have read a couple of weeks ago was about visiting pre-earthquake Los Angeles — written on the day of the earthquake. It was most difficult to see things we have visited just a couple of weeks before being turned into garbage, although no one could help but be impressed with the day-long television coverage.

When we planned this series of "travelogue" columns, after finding a fair amount of interest from regular readers, we had no idea we would be away for what has been billed as the worst winter in either a decade or 50 years, depending on who is defining it.

In light of the way the cold affects my hands, and the inability to perform basic winter functions like shoveling snow and pushing cars out of snowbanks, I can't say I am sorry we have been elsewhere for this particular winter.

On the other hand, as we talk to family and friends up there, I can only hope that those of you who continue to read about our trip are enjoying a vicarious adventure with us — and not muttering about how unfair it is for us to be keeping warm while Haliburton freezes over...

When we left our San Fernando Valley campground on the outskirts of Los Angeles, we turned onto the Antelope Parkway at the intersection of Interstate 5, (later to become famous for its second earthquake collapse, and the death of a highway patrol motorcycle officer), and headed out across the Mojave Desert turning south at Barstow and camping at a park near Needles on the Old Route 66 we took west on our first trip in 1963.

From there we were able to travel north to Laughlin, Nevada, for some fun on the nickel slots and some cheap meals at the casinos. We returned via Bullhead City, Arizona, on the other side of the Colorado River (and in the next time zone!),

returning to Pacific Time and California in time for bed.

We then went north to revisit Hoover Dam and Las Vegas and show them to Ethel's brother, (traveling with us in his own motor home). We also toured the three new casinos, Treasure Island, Luxor, and MGM Grand.

The former has a spectacular fight between a pirate ship and a British warship with a lot of fire and smoke and real actors that they repeat four or five times a day. Fun — and very realistic.

The Luxor building is surrounded by impressive, if fake, Egyptian statuary and is actually an enormous pyramid with elevators at the corners traveling at a 38-degree incline, and the only exact replica of Tutankhamun's Tomb as it was discovered in 1922 'way down in the bottom of the building.

You enter the MGM Grand between the paws and under the chin of a giant stylistic version of Leo, the MGM lion. The lobby is said to be as big as three football fields, and has its own Yellow Brick Road, and excellent versions of the tin man, the lion, the scarecrow and Judy Garland. There is also the balloon from Mike Todd's "Around the World in 80 Days" suspended above...

From Vegas, it was on to Arizona, where we spent the first night in historic Wickenburg in dude ranch country. We stayed at the "Horspitality RV Ranch," and my brother-in-law had a chance to visit the horses at their stables before we left.

We travelled though the edge of Phoenix, and south on I-10 to an eye-catching spot north of Tucson known as Picacho Peak. Sacred to the Indians, this saddleback peak is the site of the only Civil War battle in Arizona.

I had climbed most of the way to the top with an English artist we met at the camp on our last trip three years ago, and while health would not permit a repeat, the three of us did climb to the saddleback ridge. Chasing old memories, I guess.

Picacho was handy, because we could get up in the morning and head for the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. We'd arrive in Tucson after the morning's rush-hour traffic, and be there not long after it opened so we'd have a whole day to spend there.

We'll meet you for a visit there next time...



Pic of the Past

Karen Dunsmore of Montreal sent us this postcard, which was mailed to her mother, Mary

Robertson (nee Glendinning) back in 1932. However, she's not sure where "Field Forest Lake" is, or whether it has been renamed. Can any of our readers help?

Learning disabilities a family affair

AT THE AGE of 10, David was caught shoplifting. Last year, at 11, he set fire to his classroom. As he approaches 12, David's parents are terrified. David does not seem to understand the consequence of his actions. He has a significant learning disability.

Not all learning disabled children commit crimes, but an astonishing number, possibly as high as 80 percent, of juvenile delinquents also have learning disabilities (L.D.). As they enter the volatile pre-teen years, some L.D. children begin to vent the pent-up frustrations their disability has caused them. If the children haven't been tested or identified as having a learning disability, these are the years when their school work begins to decline along with what's left of their self-esteem.

In one of the tragic ironies of life, they free-fall

from the school system into the criminal justice system, which is not really prepared to deal with L.D. children who cannot receive or process information easily or effectively. For the past decade, the Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario (LDAO) has sponsored training sessions for judges, lawyers, probation officers and others in the juvenile justice system to raise their awareness of the issues. In the long run, the groups who advocate for L.D. children hope that their information will make an impact on the design of educational programs in correctional institutions.

But ultimately, it is the family which has to deal with the child. Parents of L.D. children who come into conflict with the law carry a double burden of guilt because they feel they have failed the child and now the child is hurting others. Conscious of the intensity of feelings which affect families with L.D. children, the LDAO is presenting a two day conference, L.D. is a Family Affair, April 14-15, 1994, in Toronto.

There will be workshops and speakers on a variety of topics such as Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (A.D.H.D.), family coping strategies and a special evening just for L.D. children themselves, to meet successful adults with learning disabilities and enhance their own self-esteem.

Provincial legislation guarantees equitable access to educational services for all children who have been deemed exceptional but parents of L.D. children often find that they have to really push school boards and educators to make those services available to their children.

The LDAO believes that in supporting families, they are also helping L.D. children. It is the success of the family unit which determines, even more than the school system, whether or not a learning disabled child will be successful in life. This is acutely true for children like David, whose learning disabilities seem to affect his social skills. Through gentle and consistent reinforcement David's parents can help David become aware of the effect of his actions on other people.

But David's parents also need to know that they aren't alone in their struggle and they also need reassurance that their existing parenting skills are adequate and are working. Parenting a child with learning disabilities has its own special challenges which change as the diverse needs of the child change. The LDAO and its chapters have an impressive list of print and video resources available to help parents develop their own skills. They also offer guidance, counselling and advocacy support to families like David's.

Of course, it is not a perfect world and even with the best of parenting, L.D. children can become embroiled in a dangerous peer group of remain loners whose actions move from pranks to vandalism as they grow older. Early detection of learning disabilities through the educational system and appropriate educational programming geared to enhancing the L.D. child's learning and self-esteem will assist in breaking the link between learning disabilities (L.D.) and juvenile delinquency (J.D.). LDAO and its chapters are always available to give advice and help to parents who want to assure a brighter and more positive future for their L.D. child.

For more information call the LDAO at 1-800-387-0619.

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Part One of a strange kitty story



**DOWN
OUR ROAD**
SHARON LYNCH

THE WHOLE EXPERIENCE HAD BEEN like an Alfred Hitchcock movie. Now in the tranquillity of her own home, Brenda

herself could almost believe the whole thing had not happened. Almost. But then all she had to do was look down at her lower left leg to see the proof, a reminder that real life need be the only inspiration for the most bizarre of tales.

The day began as a pleasant break in the winter doldrums. Brenda had driven to Toronto to spend a few days with her sister and brother-in-law. A little shopping, a lot of chatting; it would be good to see them both. And their cats. They had no children. Their two cats, Leo and Sheena, sufficed quite nicely. Cuddled and catered to, the

cats had even accompanied them on vacation to the west coast. If ever two felines were part of the family, Leo and Sheena definitely were.

When Brenda arrived at the house, her sister and brother-in-law were still at work, as had been expected. Using her own key to let herself in, Brenda was greeted on the other side of the door by an inquisitive-looking Leo stationed at the bottom of the stairs. After plopping down her arm-breaking baggage, Brenda extended her hand to Leo for a sniff, knowing that Leo probably did not remember her from the last visit. Leo remained aloof. Sheena, the shy one, was nowhere to be seen.

After phoning her sister at work to announce her arrival, Brenda left the house, walking to a nearby mall to buy some groceries for that night's dinner. She planned to make her specialty as a thank you token for her visit. When she returned to the house, she saw that Sheena had decided to come out of hiding and was sitting in the hall not far from Leo. Brenda left the bag of vegetables in the hall while she carried the meat and other items into the kitchen.

Leo followed her. As she began to open and close the fridge and kitchen cupboard doors and drawers, Leo began to meow. It was not a friendly, 'Hi, here I am' kind of a meow but rather an uneasy 'What are you doing in my house?' meow. Brenda glanced at Leo in surprise. His eyes had narrowed and his meow had changed to a more insistent, almost threatening sound. Sheena had moved closer to him and was mimicking his behaviour.

Brenda knew these cats were unusually communicative and used to being treated as equals by their humans. So she decided to do what she had seen her sister and brother-in-law do when they did not like their cats' behaviour. She squatted down closer to their eye level and looked straight into Leo's eyes. He hissed, his eyes now slits and tail whipping back and forth across the kitchen floor. Brenda hissed in return to show her displeasure. Leo hissed again. So did Brenda. Then she straightened up, remembering the vegetables in

an unemployment rate of 30%, along with 720 welfare cases involving 1575 people. Contrary to provincial beliefs, though we do have many cottagers on our tax rolls, they are not millionaires. They are mainly middle or upper middle class people, several of whom have had to sell their cottages because of the heavy tax burden.

What shall be sacrificed? We believe education is our most vital asset. Must we sacrifice our already compromised excellence of elementary and secondary education in order to pay for a Junior Kindergarten that very few Haliburton County residents want, and none of us can afford? Must our elementary and secondary students give up sports and arts education in order to pay for the extra buses, and extra health and safety measures needed for toddlers? Must our elementary and secondary students settle for an ever increasing teacher/student ratio in order to meet the strict teacher/child ratio set for toddlers? Is our Haliburton County Board of Education going to be forced to spend hundred of thousands of dollars to create a competent Junior Kindergarten which, we grant you, could stimulate the minds of three and four year olds on the one hand, only to take those education dollars away from elementary and secondary students, leaving those students with a lackluster, unchallenging, incompetent education?

Today's young graduates are facing a very frightening financial future. We must direct our educational dollars to give them the absolute best tools and, more importantly, the best educators in order to instill the kind of imagination, and self-esteem they need to compete in their future society. For the time being, it may make far more sense to encourage small communities to form volunteer groups which could collectively teach parents how to stimulate the minds of their pre-school children.

Haliburton County is going to feel the effects of Ontario's lost tobacco revenue. Haliburton County is going to feel the effects of Ontario's lost Federal funding. Surely, the Honourable Minister of Education can understand that the bottom line is that Junior Kindergarten is a luxury that Haliburton County simply cannot afford at this time.

JrK a luxury we can't afford



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The following letter was sent to The Honourable David Cooke, Minister of Education, Mowat Block, 900 Bay St., Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 1L2.

MANY TAXPAYERS of Haliburton County have expressed deep concern over the threat of the forced implementation of Junior Kindergarten in our already cash-stressed school system. Now, we have heard how the Federal budget cuts will trickle down through the Provincial budget with a domino effect that will, according to all reports, cut even deeper into our own Provincial educational funding.

Believe me, Mr. Cooke, as Ontario residents who have personally felt the sting of our lagging economy, we understand that it is time to end some of the handouts, from Ottawa, down through Queen's Park, through to our own Municipalities. We understand about reducing deficits at all levels of government. Our municipalities have carefully pared their budgets in order to remain solvent.

For these reasons, as well as because of our belief that for many other reasons, Junior Kindergarten is neither necessary or acceptable for our school system at this time, we find it incomprehensible that the Minister of Education would force the Haliburton County Board of Education to implement a very costly Junior Kindergarten at the same time you are cutting even more money from our share of Provincial funding for education.

Perhaps, Mr. Cooke, you can tell us where we are to find the enormous sum of money to pay the bill for Junior Kindergarten. If you investigate, you will find that Haliburton County presently has

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Novice Cs come out tops in playoff battle

Friday night at the Haliburton Gardens the Huskie Novice C's kicked off their playoff Round Robin against the Fenelon Flyers in an awesome battle of thrilling action. After the final buzzer, the score was Haliburton 1, Fenelon 1.

The defense and goaltending really shone in this game for both teams, picking up one playoff point each.

Saturday morning at 11 a.m. the Manvers #2 team was in town ready to rumble with the Huskie C's. In their previous meeting Manvers had exploded in the third for a 6-3 victory but undaunted, the Huskies knew it was playoff time and out-muscled the Southern team enroute to a 3-1 victory, picking up 2 more playoff points.

On to Sunday and more ice time as the Novice C's were entered in a six team tourney in Wilberforce. At 9 a.m. they hit the ice against the hometown Rockets and put up a heck of a fight but went down 4-2 in an effort by the Blue and white.

The second game at 11 a.m. saw Haliburton take on a team out of Oshawa who were oh so slick and much more experienced as they downed the Highlanders 6-0. Amazing what an extra year in Novice does for young hockey players. Oshawa even had a cardboard statue of the "Great One" on their bench, yes Don Cherry! Now that's intimidation.

The Huskies had their chances but were stoned on four break-aways. (Right Shawn, Right Ross).

At 3 p.m. the Huskies took to

the ice for the C's final against Ops. Eager for some hardware the young Huskies came out chomping at the bit and after one frame had a 2-1 lead. In the final two periods the Huskie eagerness turned to ferocity as they turned it up a notch, scoring six more goals while Ops could only muster a pair. Final score was Haliburton 8, Ops 3 putting the Huskie C's on the podium for the C Championship. It was a great effort, by the Haliburton boys to end the weekend.

they say that the more ice time for young hockey players the better, well the Novice C's just played 150 minutes of hockey in just under 46 hours. (They're gonna be as great as Don someday!) In the 5 games Huskie points came from Ross Gerry with two goals and three assists; Kyle Boughner with three goals and one assist; Shawn MacInnes with two goals and two assists; Dustin Prindiville with three goals; Joey Sisson with two goals; André Nichol and Chris Jung with two assists each, and Norm Smith and Ryan Willis with one goal each.

Excellent defense from Danny Craig, Adam Frybort, Norm Smith, André Nichol and Chris Jung helped goalie Alex Frybort keep his goals against average to a stingy 2.59/game. In Wilberforce the Huskie game M.V.P.'s were in order: Shawn MacInnes, Kyle Boughner and Joey Sisson. The Huskie "Digger of the week award" goes to left winger Dustin Prindiville.

Next home playoff is Friday March 11th at 6:30 p.m. against Cannington.



OUT OF THE NET: He's usually in goal but Midget Peter Brohman showed his skating skills in last Sunday's game against Deseronto.

Midgets lead series

Huskies win at home to begin playoff series

Haliburton's O.M.H.A. Midgets finished the regular season with a record of 14 wins and one loss. On Feb. 1 the team began the playoffs against Beaverton and took the series in four games.

Game 1: Haliburton 7, Beaverton 5.

Game 2: Haliburton 3, Beaverton 3.

Game 3: Haliburton 6, Beaverton 2.

Game 4: Haliburton 5, Beaverton 3.

On Saturday the Midgets started the second round of playoffs at home against Deseronto. Haliburton got a strong performance from their goal tender,

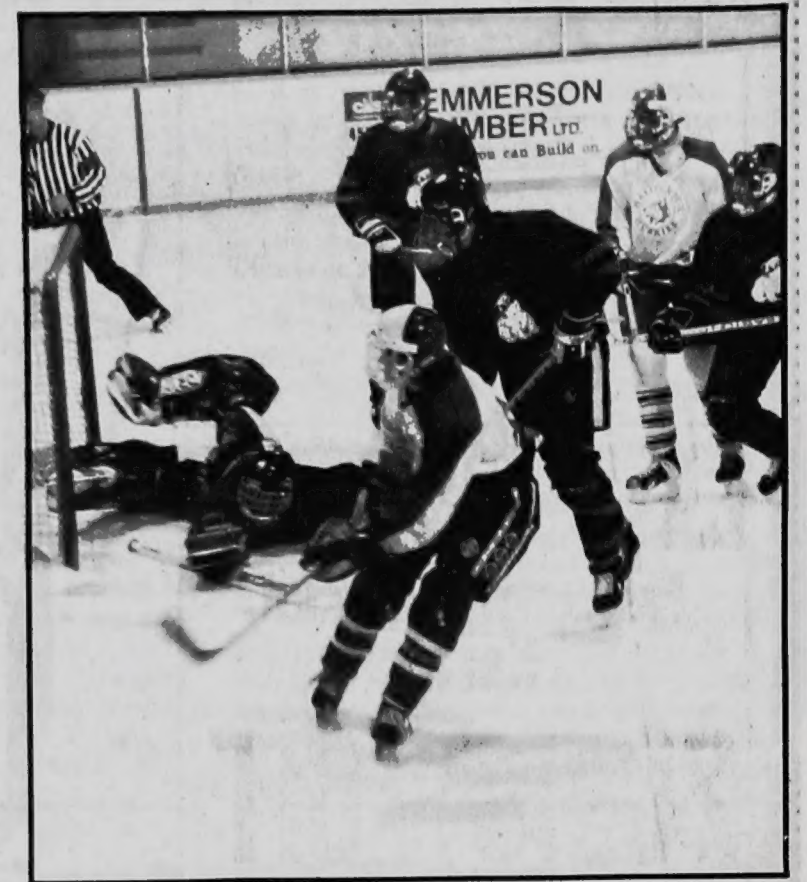
Blaze Foster. Jackie Morrison and Johnathan Bishop, scored a hat trick, with a single tally from Tim Keefer.

Final score was Haliburton 7, Deseronto 3.

Sunday's home game was a real team effort. Peter Brohman led the way with four goals and two assists; Johnathan Bishop scored two goals and four assists; Singles by Curtis Bain, Colin Morrison and Tim Keefer rounded out the scoring for Haliburton.

Final score was Haliburton 9, Deseronto 3.

The series now moves to Deseronto for the remaining three games in the best of five series.



Atoms share first place

On Sunday the Huskie Atoms played in Cannington and gained another victory with great fore-checking and defensive action.

The Kings went ahead with their first goal late in the second period after two-power plays. But the Huskies were undaunted and worked the puck back into King territory. Winger Derek Pugh tied

it up early in the third with a well-earned goal when set up by Adam Henry and Kyle Robinson. Less than three minutes later Shane Campbell took the tie-breaker in while assisted by defence Logan Roberts, and Huskie take second victory.

The Huskies are now tied for first place with six points.

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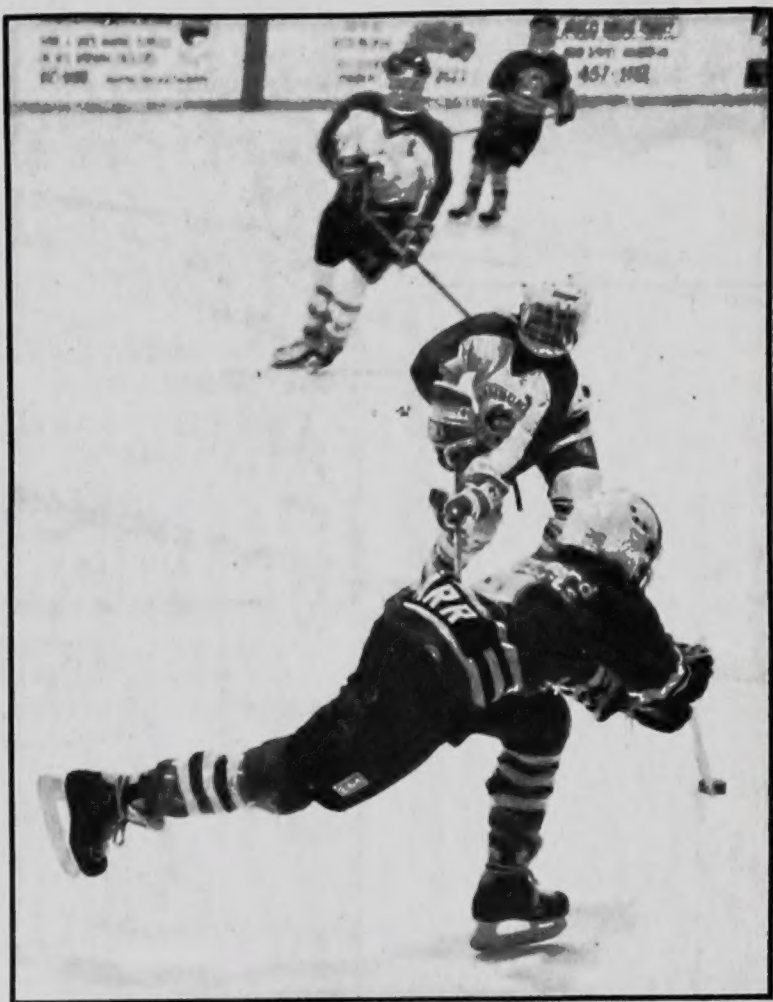
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JUST TRY IT...

A Frankford player tries to get past a Huskie Atom at Friday night's game in Haliburton. But the Huskies burst into the next stage of playoff action with a 7-2 victory and wouldn't let anyone stand in their way. Other local teams weren't as lucky against a strong Frankford squadron



Novice Bs lose squeaker to Fenelon

The Novice "B" Huskies started their playoffs at home against Fenelon Falls. The two teams are pretty evenly matched with the Huskies holding a slight edge over regular season play. This game was a close, exciting game.

The two teams played a scoreless first period. And it wasn't until the 6:25 mark of the second period that the scoreless tie would be broken by the Huskies as Cory Sisson moved the puck back to defenseman Adam

Tomlinson whose blast lit up the red light. Fenelon tied the game up just over four minutes later, but the Huskies went ahead again 21 seconds later as Joel Cooper buried a shot behind the Fenelon goalie on a set up by Ryan Goldenberg.

The score stayed that way until there was 1:10 left to play and Fenelon tied the score and it was on to sudden death overtime. In overtime both teams missed early chances to win it, but halfway through Fenelon managed to get

the winner by the "Little Cat" for a 3-2 win.

A special thanks to the following sponsors of the Novice "B" tournament held on Feb. 19th. Adams Brands; Claude Parish; General Lee's; Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve; hostess Frito Lay Ray Gervais; Neilson Cadbury; West Guilford Shopping Center, Canada Dry; Eagle Lake Food Town; Haliburton I.G.A.; Jasco Drug Mart; Lock Haven Inn; Rudolf Bakery.

Jasco Tykes practise winning

Long play-off wait puts team in tough exhibition games

The regular hockey season is winding down and the Jasco Major Tykes have got to stay in shape for their play-off tournament scheduled for the end of March. Coach Jim Winn enjoys keeping his team busy and on their hockey toes so it's a month of exhibition games and tournaments. Coach Winn is good at finding tough teams. Those Husky pups will have to work hard if they want to win.

On Feb. 20 the Tykes played a Novice C house league team from Bancroft. The boys were a little apprehensive, especially Jesse Johnson (up from the Minors for a game) who wasn't too sure he was ready for the "big league". Ross Gerry opened the

scoring for Haliburton with an early unassisted goal. Bancroft answered back with two before the buzzer signaled the end of the first.

In period two Gerry scored another unassisted goal. The Huskies were back in the game. Jesse Johnson also scored a nice goal from a pass from Gary. This put the score at 3-2 for Haliburton. In the third period Kyle Espie scored, assisted by Travis Burke and Nick Judge. Also scoring were Nick Judge and Jesse Johnson. Good for you Jesse! Bancroft managed one more.

The final score was Haliburton 6, Bancroft 3.

The defensive team showed lots

of hustle - Adam Hutson, Daniel Jung, Adrian Winn and Josh Fick. Jeremy Moynes had a good game in net. The Bancroft goals were low, thanks to their defensive teamwork.

On Feb. 26 South River was in town for two games. Both games were close and exciting from start to finish. Game one was tied 3-3 until the last 30 seconds when Haliburton scored the tie-breaker. Game 2 ended up 3-2 for Haliburton. Excellent offensive play was turned in by Ross Gerry, Josh Brown and Andy Dawson.

Next weekend the Jasco team travels to Ennismore for a two day tournament. Now there's a challenge.

OMHA Atoms in semi-finals

On Friday night, the O.M.H.A. Atom Huskies played game 3 of their quarter-final series against Frankford.

Just like the first two games, Frankford opened the scoring ten minutes into the first period. With just 33 seconds left in the period, the Huskies tied it when Jamie Luck took a Cole Glendinning pass and put it in the top shelf for a powerplay goal.

The hometown boys kept the pressure on and were rewarded with the lead when Ryan Wood took a Luck pass and stuffed it past the outstretched goalie's leg. The Huskies took a 3-1 lead when Glendinning went coast to coast and picked the short side for an unassisted goal.

Frankford came back early in the third with a shorthanded goal and then tied it up ten minutes into the period. That made for an exciting last five minutes of the game. But the hometown Huskies came up big when Ryan Simioni took a Nic Cochrane pass and blasted one past the Frankford goalie for a 4-3 victory.

Sunday night the Huskies were in Frankford for game 4 and a chance to wrap up the series. Once again Frankford took the early lead, but four minutes later the Huskies tied it up when Ryan Wood converted passes from Scot Curry and Chris Nimigon. Just two minutes later Wood converted another Curry pass to put the Huskies in the lead.

They extended that to a two-

goal lead when Bobby Hebert deflected a Jamie Johnston point shot early in the second period. Ryan Simioni took a Nic Cochrane pass and picked the top corner to end the second period up 4-1.

Early in the third Frankford closed the gap to 4-2, but just two minutes later Cochrane restored the three-goal lead after passes from Simioni and Hebert. Five minutes later the Huskies added to their lead when Jamie Luck took passes from Wood and Nimigon and beat the goalie to the top corner. Forty seconds later Haliburton rounded out the scoring when Cochrane scored with assists going to Simioni and

Danny Koz. Brian Mulholland made some excellent saves early in the game when the outcome was still in doubt.

The game finished up 7-2 to give the Huskies a 3 games to 1 series victory.

This weekend's two wins were once again a total team effort from Adam Wilson, Brian Mulholland, Cole Glendinning, Chris Nimigon, Danny Koz, Jamie Johnston, Bobby Hebert, Nic Cochrane, Ryan Simioni, Scot Curry, Jamie Luck, and Ryan Wood.

The boys are now waiting to start the semi-finals with the winner between Chatsworth and Port Carling.

Atoms strike twice

The Haliburton Tri-County Atoms played their fourth and most thrilling game of the round-robin play-off series. On Saturday afternoon the Huskies hosted the game against Mariposa Lightning, a team that the huskies had not been able to beat before. But the opponents left Haliburton bewildered and scratching their heads.

Mariposa opened up the scoring late in the first period as they slipped their one and only goal in past Huskie goalie Andrew Sachs whose outstanding performance clearly showed.

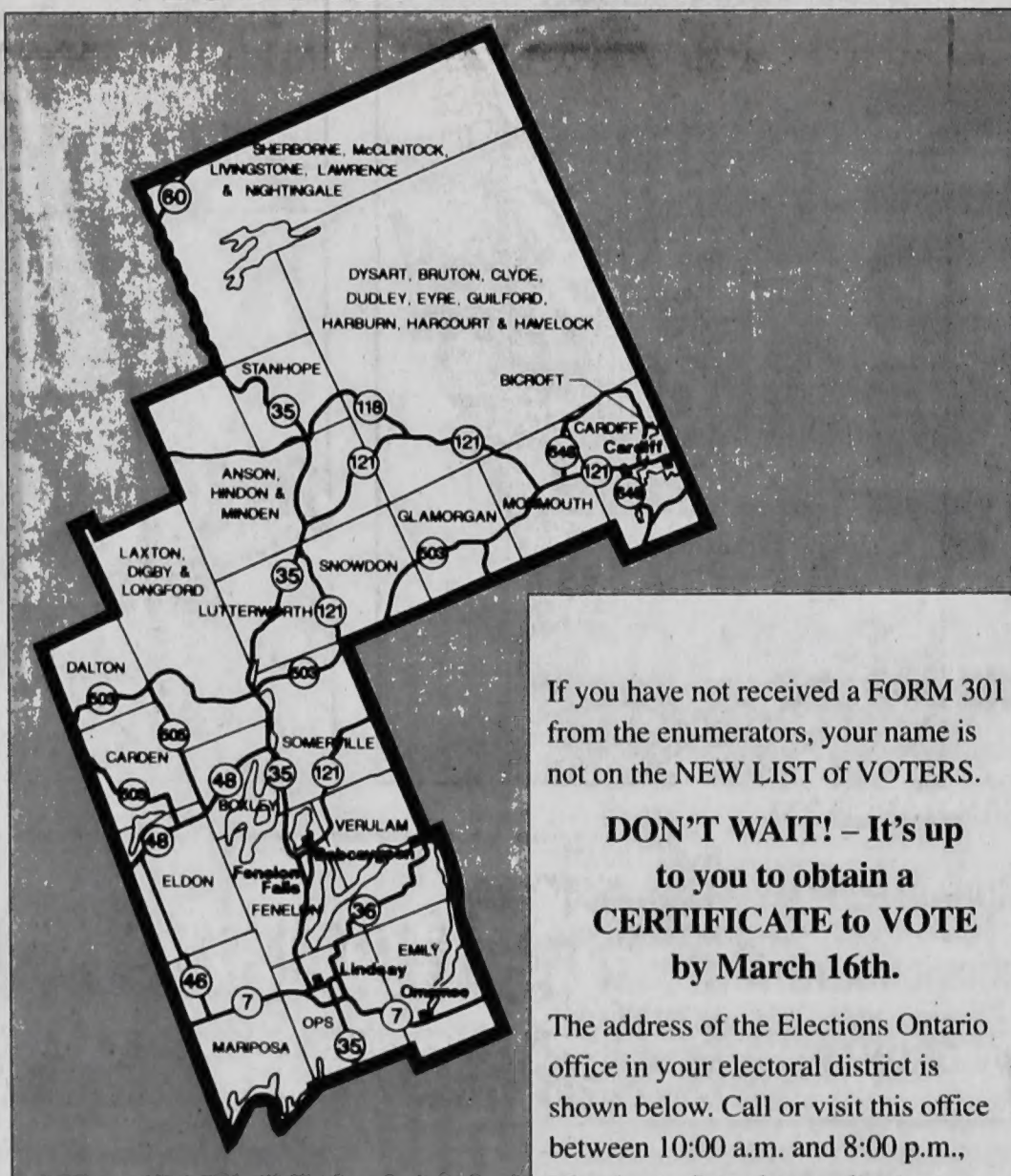
In the second period with end to end, action-packed two-way hockey, centre Adam Henry tied it up as defenceman Jamie Doan set up this exciting goal.

The Huskies, determined not to settle for a tie, kept on top of every play firing constantly at the Lightning goalie. It finally paid off as centre Shane Campbell streaked up centre ice dodging every Lightning bolt and firmly placing the winning goal in the top right corner.

Every Huskie parent present could be proud of the outstanding team effort shown.

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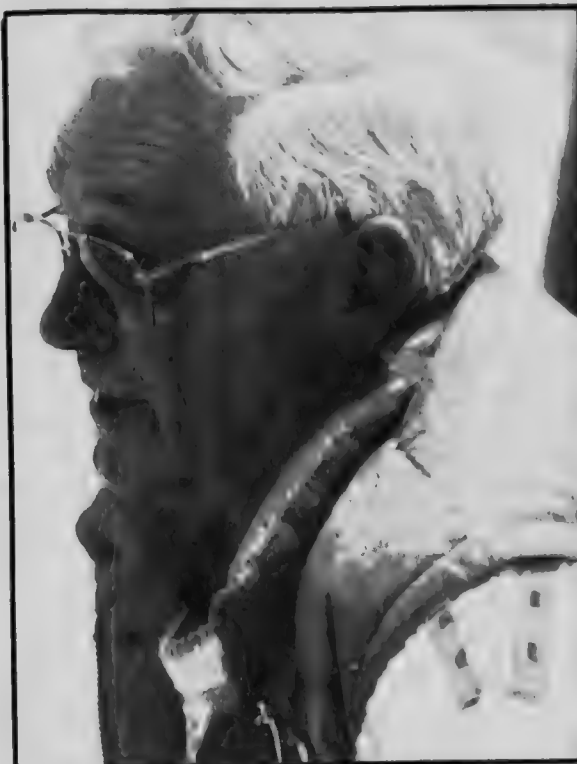
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Cutbacks weren't on the Haliburton Hawks' minds when they took on Rainbow Auto Glass. The Hawks spent freely and didn't enter into free trade, downing Rainbow 14-3. Spendthrifts for the Hawks were Rick Wood, Steve Roberts and Dan all with three, Tom Curry and Pat Wilson had a pair each, Bob Woodcock had the single. Cutting the deficit for Rainbow was Stewart Semple with two, Bruce Fleck had one.

A balanced budget was on tap in game two -

with Apsley meeting Clarkson Plumbers. The teams traded two in the first, Al Gronman and Terry Holcovich for Apsley, Dan Curry and Luke Schell for the Plumbers. The second saw the teams remain tied with Apsley's Bill Roter scoring and Clarkson's Roy Boughner replying. A tight third saw the Clarkson's pull ahead, but with three minutes left Apsley's Lee Donaldson scored, to stalemate it 5-5. Rounding out the scoring was Apsley's Gronman with his second, Steve Cooper and Drew Carey for the Plumbers. Both teams can be proud of their Bookkeepers (Phil Rusak and Dave Logan) for keeping expenditures low!

It's a good thing the Wilberforce Golden Ponders don't run the country, the word restraint never entered their minds, handing the Kinmount Maple Leafs a 14-2 debit overload! Finance ministers for the Ponders were Royden Hawley and Eric Barnes with four each, Brian Montgomery and Bill Watson had the 'trick', Dave Swan directed in two and Ken Riley hit the net with one. Fending off bankruptcy for the Leafs was Keith McPherson and John (I love to score on Blaine) Windrum. Let's hope the Ponders kept some in the bank for their next encounter, against the Hawks.

At this point we have to inform the fans, that due to rising costs, as of next week, the admission price to the rink will have to be doubled!



POKER RUN DONATION: Kennis Lake Marine owner Cathy Lancia, centre, presents a cheque for \$2,000 to Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary Treasurer, Hilda Sealey, left, and president, Marion Vanschaik. The money was raised at the Haliburton Forest Poker Run and will help pay for a new x-ray machine at the hospital.

Burnt River man seriously injured in crash

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

There were two snowmobile accidents on Sunday night, and while no one was seriously injured in one accident, a Burnt River man had to be airlifted to Toronto after his snowmobile hit a tree.

At 6:45 p.m., 31-year-old Blake Smith of Burnt River was travelling south on the abandoned rail line. He had gone a kilometre past the Ritchie Falls bridge when he hit a mound of ice and water and lost control of his snowmobile. The snowmobile left the trail and hit a tree.

Smith was taken to the Haliburton Hospital suffering from head injuries, broken bones and internal injuries. He was stabilized and then air lifted to Toronto Western Hospital. On Monday morning he was in stable condition, says Sgt. Art Goad of the Minden OPP.

In a separate accident at 6:15 p.m., two snowmobiles side-

swiped each other on Kushog Lake, just south of the bridge at Hwy. 35.

The driver of the southbound vehicle was Clinton Saft, 34 of Minden. His passenger was Jacquileen Thomsen, 33, also of Minden.

The driver of the northbound snowmobile was Wesley Irwin, 26 of Weston. His passenger was 20-year-old Marissa Niceforo of Burlington.

The two passengers were treated and released at Minden Hospital.

Bantams advance to semi-finals

The Haliburton Bantams advanced to the O.M.H.A. semi-finals this past weekend when they defeated Deseronto in three straight games.

The boys travelled to Deseronto for game one and came away with a 6-3 victory despite being outplayed. Josh Burk tallied three times in this game with singles going to Josh Devris, Jon Hebert and Bill Dovell. Game 2 was dominated by Haliburton. Mark Hughes and Jon Hebert notched 2 each while Matt Galbraith picked up a single. Assists went to Bill Dovell, Curtis Reynolds, Aaron Galbraith, Josh Dennis, Josh

Burk and Mark Hughes. Brock Glendinning picked up his 11th shutout of the season with the 5-0 victory. Game 3 saw Deseronto dominate the first 2 periods once again and hold a 2-1 lead into the third but Haliburton's "never say die" attitude prevailed once again. They scored two unanswered goals in the third period to steal a 3-2 victory. Josh Burk, Mark Hughes and Mike Bradley, with the winner, counted for Haliburton while Curtis Reynolds, Mark Hughes, Josh Burk, Josh Dennis and Jon Hebert got assists.

Semi-final action should be starting shortly.



SKILLED HANDS: Local ski patrollers Wilfred Vanlieshout, Ted O'Connell and Don Stephenson aid a mock victim under the watchful eye of judges. Ski patrollers from across the province were at Sir Sams on Saturday to test their skills in an annual competition designed to hone their abilities to deal with a variety of ski-related injuries and get people to hospital as efficiently as possible.

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Board gets support on JrK.

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the February 22 meeting of the Haliburton County Board of Education. Director of Education Brad Saunders was ill and unable to attend.

JrK

Board Chairman Lloyd Griffiths said he had received 38 more letters of opposition to junior kindergarten. He has forwarded them to the Ministry of Education. The board has applied to the ministry for a delay in the implementation of the program, citing a lack of funds and lack of classroom space. The ministry has demanded that all boards offer some classes by September 1994 but has agreed to consider applications for delay.

Broad-based technology

In her report on the meeting of the education committee, trustee Wendy Ladurantaye said the broad-based technology program was "positive and innovative." It attempts to encourage more student participation in shop programs - now called technology and design. When the program is implemented, all Grade 9 students will get some time in every area

- electrical, auto, woodworking etc., as well as computer-assisted design concepts. The experience will give students a better base to make decisions on their Grade 10 electives, and it's hoped, increase participation in skilled trades. The funding is still being worked out, with a percentage coming from the province. Superintendent of Education Dale Robinson said the program would, if implemented, have a significant impact on the Grade 9 program.

Stouffer money approved

The board voted to approve spending \$155,000 to finish off the Stouffer school renovation. The money will be spent on upgrading the hall in the 1940 building, classroom painting and repairs, new furniture and equipment for the library and the vice-principal's office, playground equipment and repair of the playing field at the school. The work will, where possible, be offered to local contractors. The board also authorized the administration to seek permission from the Ontario Municipal Board to borrow \$200,000 for the project if necessary.

Business administrator Jim Bradley said the \$5.5 million construction project at the school, which started last summer, is in the final stages. The sports floor has been laid in the new gymnasium. The exterior

work, apart from landscaping which will be done in the warmer weather, should be finished before the end of March. The original scheduled date was September 30, 1994.

Volunteers' costs

The board approved the payment of mileage costs to members of the public who serve on some of the board's committees. The special education committee and S.A.L.E.P. (supervised alternative learning for excused pupils) both require a member of the public to sit on their committee. Trustee Len Salvatori voiced concern over giving out any more money with the budget discussions coming up. But some volunteers are already being paid mileage and trustees voted to approve the payments to all committee volunteers as a matter of fairness.

Review of the health curriculum

The board is starting its review of the health curriculum. The topic can be controversial, since it includes sex education. But Robinson said there would be ample opportunity for parent participation. "We want to consult with parent groups." The program review and redevelopment will follow Education Ministry guidelines. It will take up to two years to complete.

"We need jobs"

Voters know what they want, but not who to vote for

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wouldn't be a factor.

She lives in Lindsay but used to vote for "that Hodgson man" (Glen Hodgson, of Haliburton, was a Conservative MPP in Victoria-Haliburton from 1963 to 1975. He is Chris Hodgson's uncle.)

None of the three candidates in this by-election have particularly strong ties to Lindsay.

McCrae is an Ops Township reeve who served two terms as warden of Victoria County. Field is a businessman from Little Britain and Hodgson is reeve of Dysart et al and served one term as warden of Haliburton County.

Omemee residents Elizabeth and Tom Johnson also said a candidate's hometown isn't important. Jobs are.

"We need jobs, we need more industry, we need a future for the young people," said Elizabeth Johnson, who works for the federal government.

But the Johnsons are also worried about government services.

Tom Johnson is on a disability pension and said the health system shouldn't be put in jeopardy.

"They shouldn't touch it." "That's a necessity," said Elizabeth Johnson.

Mrs. Johnson had met NDP candidate Art Field at the post office earlier in the week, but neither of the Johnsons knew the other two candidates. They said they'll be checking out the other parties but didn't want to say who they'd vote for.

The one person who knew all three candidates (she asked not to be named) said she'd read about them in the newspapers.

She "hadn't a clue" who she'd vote for this time after giving her vote to Dennis Drainville in 1990.

She is retired and was worried about the cost of the high levels of unemployment.

While most people were unde-

cided, or had yet to focus on the election, there was a lot of strong feeling about the current government.

Many people seemed to be looking down the road to the full provincial election, expected next year.

The fall out from the Social Contract negotiations still rouses ire in Lindsay and many people who didn't know any of the candidates said only that Bob Rae had to go.

One potential voter, a teacher out shopping with her two young children, wanted to remain anonymous because she was embarrassed to say she didn't know any of the candidates.

Like others the Echo spoke to, however, she had definite opinions about Bob Rae and the renegotiation of public sector employee agreements under the Social Contract.

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Cat pulls out the sharp claws

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the hall.

At this point a low guttural sound rose from Sheena's throat and Brenda felt the hair on the back of her neck rise. She shook herself, thinking she must be tired and edgy to let these two animals make her so nervous. As she took a step toward the hallway, Sheena's paw flashed out surprisingly fast, pulling at Brenda's leg.

Now she was getting more angry than uneasy, thinking her new knit pants might be ripped. She yelled at the cat and continued to move. Then Leo

leapt forward and nailed her other leg. Brenda was sure this move had broken her skin and she retreated back into the kitchen, stunned. Both cats followed, each growling the same spine-tingling moan, ears flat to their heads and tails whipping up a storm.

Still in retreat, Brenda passed beyond the kitchen to the living room couch. She had to think this through. Trying to stay calm, she picked up a magazine, watching the cats from the corner of her eye.

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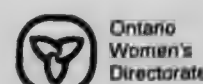
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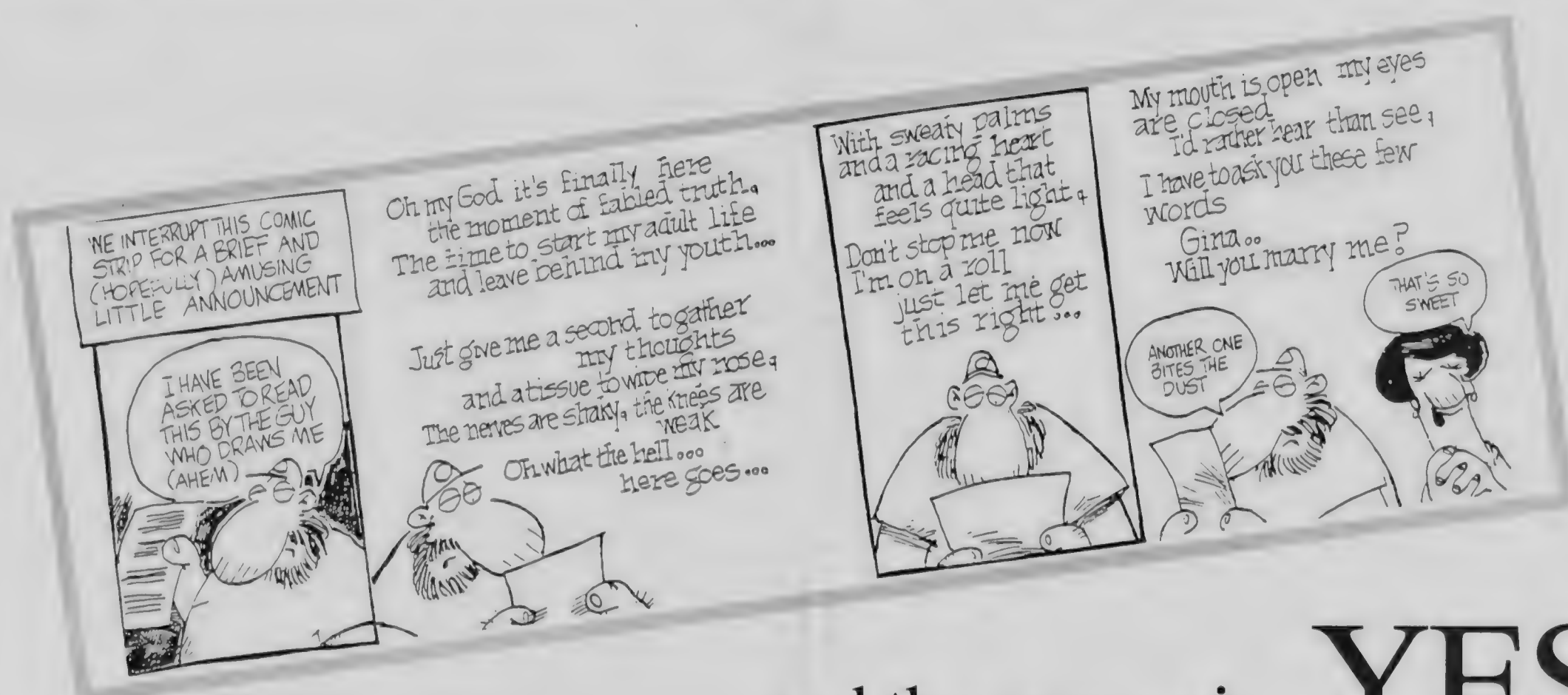
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A PAPER PROPOSAL

Echo cartoonist finds unique way to pop the question...



and the answer is... **YES!**

by **MARTHA PERKINS**
Editor

SHE SAID YES! Gina said she'd marry Charlie! And they're going to do it in real life, too.

In last week's Echo, Gus was asked to interrupt the usual goings on in the Boonieville cartoon to read a poem by his creator, Charlie Teljeur. Gus is the somewhat rotund cartoon character who lives in a place rather like Haliburton and Teljeur had asked him to do a favour. Teljeur wanted to propose to his girlfriend but "I didn't want to do it in the plain old dinner and wine way."

So it was Gus who actually muttered those fateful words, "Gina, will you marry me?"

Well, Gus might not be real, but the proposal was. Gina is very real, too. She's 25-year-old Gina Deighton of Pembroke who met Charlie Teljeur, now 28, when she came to work for the summer at Deer Lodge

six years ago. The Teljeur family runs Deer Lodge and Deighton never did make it back to Pembroke.

When he decided to propose in such a public way, Teljeur was pretty confident that Deighton would say yes. As a matter of fact, she's been waiting for the proposal for some time, and knew that Teljeur would get around to it sooner or later. But she was beginning to think that it was going to be sooner rather than later. "Well, six years..." she says. "You kind of wonder if he really wants to settle down."

Meanwhile, he was waiting for the opportunity to pop the question in his own, rather unique way. ("Charlie doesn't like to be normal," says Deighton with a smile. It's a

good thing she knows that before they get married.)

His problem was that Deighton always reads the cartoon before he brings it to the Echo office on Friday. Last week, however, she was away and he was able to sneak the cartoon into the Echo without her seeing it.

Very few people knew that the cartoon contained a marriage proposal, and those who did know were sworn to secrecy. That was easier said than done (especially at the Echo, where we're supposed to spread the news.) Teljeur's moth-

er was the only other accomplice, much to the chagrin of Teljeur's brother and sister, who were very put out when they had to read all about it in the newspaper along with 10,000 other people.

Teljeur had the hardest time of it, though.

'When I read the end I just looked up and started to cry...' GINA

He wanted to make sure that the proposal was really done through the cartoon and yet he was so tempted to drop a few hints. The silence was painful.

As well, like the cartoon suggests, he was about to embark on a new phase in his life, a big phase. He can remember thinking on Monday night, "this is my last night unengaged..."

On Tuesday morning, so as not to arouse Deighton's suspicions, Teljeur had his mother drive into Haliburton to pick up a copy of the Echo just after eight in the morning. Mrs. Teljeur gave her son the paper, and he brought it upstairs to Deighton, who was still sleeping. He had to nudge her awake.

"I was kind of mad he woke me up so I could read his cartoon," she admits three days later. "My eyes were barely open but then I got to the second frame and saw this poem. Then when I read the end I just looked up and started to cry. I don't think I did say yes until last night at dinner" when he proposed again to her in the old dinner and wine way.

What's so perfect about the cartoon proposal is Gus's reaction, which is based on the ribbing Teljeur knew to expect from the men he plays hockey with. After Gus reads the proposal, he says "Another one bites the dust" while his wife says "How sweet." How typical!!!

In the days that followed, people would look at the couple with a hint of anticipation and nervousness. The engagement ring is away being sized, so Deighton's finger was bare. Did that mean she said no? Had she read the paper yet? After a day of people surreptitiously looking at her hands, Deighton took to wearing gloves.

Deighton faxed a copy of the proposal/cartoon to her parents in Pembroke and they just loved it. By now, they too know to expect the unexpected from their future son-in-law.

But, if Teljeur thought he could get away with having a not-so-normal wedding to match his proposal, watch out. By Friday, Deighton already had three of the big, glossy bride magazines (although part of her excuse is that her sister is getting married, too.) He'll probably draw the invitations himself, and they're thinking of a way to get the Boonieville crowd to attend, but the wedding momentum has been set in motion and who knows what will happen by the time they marry next spring.

Boonieville may never be the same.



Charlie and Gina celebrate her acceptance of his proposal, drawn in his cartooning studio



The new lobby at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School is now complete. The work was a group project by students, including Mr. James woodworking class, Mr. Stehenson's art class, with batik work by Mary Wallace. At left Grade 9 students Ray Ranson and Garrett Grexton admire the workmanship



Life at the top at HHSS is a challenge

by KEITH MCKELVEY
HHSS Co-op Student

Gary Brohman and Michael Burke are both having a challenging year at HHSS since they became the new principal and vice-principal. They have had to deal with many new issues, not only in each new job position, but also with the introduction of semestering and destreaming of Grade 9.

Mr. Brohman says semestering is really going well but it takes some getting used to, especially the adjustment to long periods for both teachers and students. He also feels that February is like September all over again, because you are starting fresh,

having all new courses, and new teachers.

"It's really a new school for students, teachers, and administration, and it's really exciting!" Mr. Brohman says. Along with semestering also comes many little changes, like having home-forms in the morning without attendance being marked, or the resource period at 3:16.

With the new role, comes a different responsibility. That is, when he was vice principal, he dealt more with students, and students' problems. Now as principal, he deals more with final decision making and with bigger issues than he used to.

Mr. Brohman is remaining as football coach for the Redmen,

and he believes that it is important that both administration and teachers should have a link with the students in extracurricular activities, be it in sports, music, drama, or in some other way. He also wouldn't mind if the school had other teams such as basketball, or rugby, as long as there's a coach, and as long as it doesn't take away from other sports. Since we have such a small school, there aren't enough athletes to compete in all the sports. If a new sport is created, athletes from another team may want to join the new sport, and the old sport would suffer.

As principal, Mr. Brohman also has a new relationship with the Student Activity Council. He

says this year he really realized what a tremendous effort such a small group of individuals gives to accomplish so many activities, and he congratulates the whole group on a great year. He says that a key factor in dealing with the SAC is communication. The SAC has to tell him which way they want to go, or what they're aiming for, and he tells them his guidelines, and his opinion on what they are working on.

Although Mr. Brohman stepped up to principal from vice principal, Mr. Burke stepped to vice-principal from being principal of Victoria Street School.

"I created a fatherly image," Mr. Burke says about working with the primary students. Now

he has to treat students more like adults since they can make their own decisions.

Along with making decisions, comes suffering consequences, and Mr. Burke deals a lot with handing down punishments for bad decisions. Mr. Burke says that he only deals with 10% of the students, and he sees the same students "over and over and over again." Although many students think his punishments are too harsh, Mr. Burke says that students are used to the way Mr. Brohman used to work, and he's "the new kid on the block" and students aren't used to the way he

does things. Mr. Burke says his job is discipline, and unfortunately, students react negatively to discipline.

Mr. Burke would like to create a more positive attitude, and he hopes to work with more students. In the future, he would like to help out in the sports department. He would like to create a boys' volleyball team, and hopes to coach it. He is also going to help coach in the upcoming track and field competitions. Mr. Burke said he would have helped out in sports earlier, but he was unsure of how much time he would have.



RISE TO THE CHALLENGE: It hasn't been an easy year of transition, but Michael Burke and Gary Brohman are enjoying their new jobs as vice-principal and principal of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

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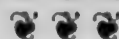
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Students energized by success

30-Hour Famine raises \$2,300 for World Vision projects

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

On Friday night, it soon became evident that teenagers don't get all of their energy from food.

There they were in the basement of St. George's Anglican Church, lights dimmed, music blaring and group dynamics in full swing. A dozen or so turbo-charged teenagers were singing, dancing, and talking faster than the downhill skiers at Lillehammer.

And yet none of them had had anything to eat for the past 19 hours.

"We're hungry - that's our quote!!" the media-wise teens said with huge smiles on their faces. But then, also in unison, they'll tell you "It saves lives!"

Almost 30 teenagers took part in Friday's 30-Hour Famine to raise money for World Vision's efforts to improve the living standards of people in Third World countries. From 1 a.m. on Friday morning to 7 a.m. on Saturday morning, they were only allowed to drink fruit juices. In the process, they learned what it was like to go without food and they also raised \$2,300 for those people who don't have any choice in the matter. These teenagers knew they'd enjoy a huge feast on Saturday morning; the people they were helping aren't as lucky. For many of them, their hunger will end only when international aid arrives.

The local "famine" was organized by HHSS students Jean Morrison and Sarah Cowling, who belong to the youth groups at St. George's and West Guilford Gospel Chapel. They weren't surprised when almost 30 other teenagers signed on, but they weren't expecting the community

to give them so much financial support. "It's amazing," says Jean. "I couldn't believe it - I mean the impact that it has."

The students got pledges from friends and family, set up a table at St. George's popular pancake supper and were the recipients of the Wednesday donation collection at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Apart from the hunger pangs and headaches, they say the hardest part of the famine was the teasing they got at school on Friday.

"People shoved Brownies up my nose," says one. Another says "everyone kept tempting us - like look at these great french fries."

One young woman said the teachers had to grant them lots of

washroom breaks because of all the fluids the participants were drinking.

On Friday night, about half of them gathered at St. George's for a sleepover. Carol English, who has been a missionary in Montserrat, captivated them with stories about her efforts to help others. Then, some of the students went to a dance at the high school, while others enjoyed their own entertainment with the karaoke microphone at the church. Some others participated in the famine but weren't able to stay the night at the church.

Rest assured, however, that by Saturday morning, all of them were glad that they lived in Canada where you only get a taste of what famine is like.



Believe it or not, when these teenagers gathered at St. George's Anglican Church on Friday night, they still were turbo-charged - even though they hadn't eaten for more than 19 hours as part of the fundraising project

Trustee goes back to school

... and finds it's a much better place than he remembers from his student days

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

It's been a while since Tim Casey was a student at Haliburton's high school. No need to say exactly how long.

But when the Dysart et al school trustee spent a day at his alma mater last week he found his distant (and not always pleasant) memories didn't quite match the new reality.

The students he met actually seemed to enjoy being at the school.

"The school spirit is really good," Casey told other trustees at last week's board meeting. "I was quite pleased to hear, almost without fail, that teachers and

students wonder how they got along without semestering."

Casey, whose two daughters are students at the high school, booked a day of events to get an inside look at the things that are so often on the agenda at board meetings.

Principal Gary Brohman said he was happy to set up the timetable for Casey or any other trustee or parent.

"There are a number of positive things here we want people to know about," said Brohman. "We feel comfortable inviting trustees and the public into the school."

The high school implemented semestering last September, as well as a destreaming program for the Grade 9 students. It's been

a lot of changes in a short time, and the school has just gone into its new semester.

Under the semestering system the chaos of the first two weeks of the school year are now basically repeated in February.

But despite that Casey said people were happy with the changes.

He sat in on some classes, visited the computer room and had lunch at the cafeteria, giving him some time to speak to the students.

He said they liked the longer periods which give them more time to talk with the teacher and get help with their work.

He also found the Grade 9 stu-

dents enjoyed their destreaming classes, in which students of all abilities are taught together. The peer tutoring program, in which Grade 12 students act as teachers' aides in the destreamed classes, was also very successful.

The only downside was the crowded cafeteria (it's on the board's long term expansion plan).

He had lunch with his daughters and said he was quite a phenomena, with the students peppering him and his daughters with questions, mostly wondering if he was going back to school.

"They're almost anxious to show off their school," Casey told the trustees. "Everybody should try to take half a day and go back to school."

"The school spirit is really good," says Tim Casey

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ON THE BEAT...

Sixty people from the Wilberforce area provide back up for the OPP

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

WHAT'S THAT SAYING? You can either sit down and complain or stand up and do something about it.

In the Wilberforce area, about 60 people are actively doing something about crime in their area. They have formed the Wilberforce and Area Police Volunteer Association and since their first meetings last summer, there's only been one break-in - and the association helped the Minden OPP discover who was responsible.

"This is the way everything has got to go - it's the future," association President John Goverde says of people's willingness to be part of the solution, rather than just complain of the problems. "The need is there because there is lack of policemen. They can't be there 24 hours a day."

Instead of waiting for there to be enough funding to provide 24-hour coverage, the volunteers have decided to do some of the work themselves. Every night, at different times of the night, they patrol the streets, checking to make sure that all businesses' doors are locked and to keep an eye out for anyone being where they're not supposed to be.

"You'd be surprised how many times you'll find a door open," says Goverde. Each member is given a list of business contacts, who are telephoned if something is wrong. "There have been about 12 incidents since January. The people feel good about it. There's a good response from the public."

But the association does much more than that. Here are some of their activities:

- they've tagged 800 to 900 cottages to check for signs of break-in and to warn potential thieves that the lakes are patrolled
- they've started a youth committee to plan and organize events for local young people. "We need to give them something to do," and if they're busy, they're less likely to be getting into trouble
- after 10 p.m., officers cannot be patrolling on their own so 15 association members volunteer

to join them on their rounds in the cruiser. This frees up officers and allows there to be more police presence

• they've opened an office at the medical centre and staff it Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights from 6 p.m. until midnight. "If people have a problem they can phone and perhaps we can help."

• if there's an emergency, members have volunteered to help in any way they can, such as directing traffic

• the group is in the process of forming a search and rescue group

"It's a huge area to cover but it's working and that's the main thing," Goverde says.

Secretary Evelyn Hemphill says that Goverde is largely responsible for doing so much of the work to get the group organized and involved. He in turn thanks the support he's received from the community, who help out whenever he asks.

He says he's willing to put in so much time because "if you're going to do it, do it right."

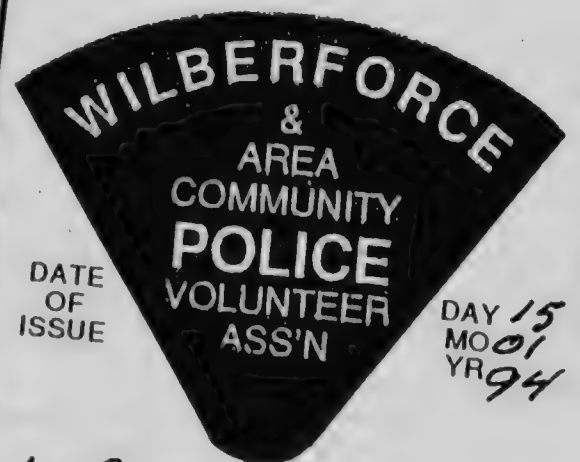
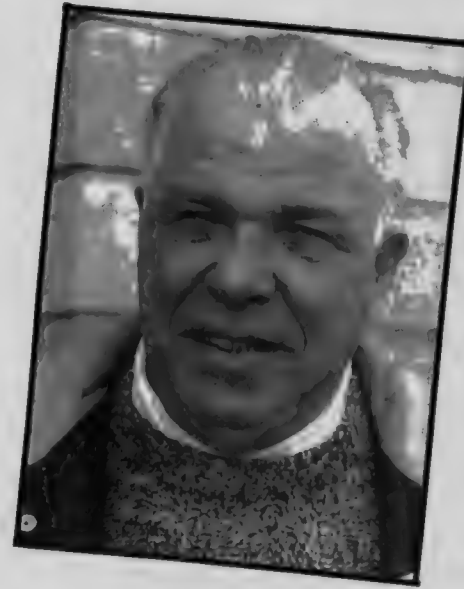
He wanted the group to get its feet firmly planted on the ground before any publicity because he wanted the community to know this wasn't just a passing phase.

"I've been in the area for 30 some years and Wilberforce has grown tremendously because people have a lot of guts and a lot of nerve. We have an arena, community centre, curling club, tennis courts... These people were not quitters. We had to prove ourselves first because people in Wilberforce don't quit."

The association also appreciates the support and encouragement they've received from the OPP. "Ron Buchanan and Ken Wesley have been exceptional. They've been behind us 100 percent."

Although the group already has 60 members "we'd love to see more," says Goverde. If people have a skill, he has a way to put it to use.

For more information about how you can help the Wilberforce and Area Volunteer Association, please call John Goverde, 448-2179; Wayne Klapow, 448-2803; or Evelyn Hemphill at 448-2340.



Name: JOHN GOVERDE
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Loop Troupe deserves applause for performance

Wilberforce
Flo Elliott - 448-2618

Congratulations to the Loop Troupe on the big success of their first full length play, *Our Gal Sal*. It was a big undertaking, but the cast and crew came through with flying colors. There were so many favorable comments on the beautiful set and costumes and the stage extension. This extension gave more depth to the room and allowed the cast to move around the set as their roles demanded.

Let's not forget the sound system that was recently installed in the Lloyd Watson Centre by the Monmouth Seniors Club. The complete dialogue of the cast was clear to everyone and they were able to enjoy the show without straining to hear.

Thanks must also go to the community for all their love and support and being just as delighted as the cast to see such a success. To all who helped in

any way, the Loop Troupe says a big thank you.

There will be a Euchre party on March the 11th. These card parties have become very popular, not because of the prizes, but because friends can meet and visit as well as try their skill at cards. Its an evening out. The time is 7:30 at the Lloyd Watson Centre.

I heard something funny at the Seniors' Club the other day. We were talking about tall people and one man said the way he heard it was if you were a good, well behaved child everyone patted you on the head and that's what made you short. However if you were a naughty child then you got a kick in the rear and that's what made you tall. Who said heredity had anything to do with it.

The deer population is having a hard time since we had that ice storm. The

crust will not hold them but will support a dog. This is just what happened a week ago. Two young men were enjoying a cup of coffee when they saw two deer run by on the road closely followed by a dog. By the time they got outside the deer had taken to the bush again, but luckily they turned and came past the place where one of the men was standing and he was able to catch the dog. These deer were so exhausted their tongues were hanging out of their mouths. It was doubtful if they would have been able to carry on much longer. It's bad

enough that they have to fight off their natural enemies, without having to put up with dogs as well. These dogs are not to blame, they do what comes naturally. Its against the law to let dogs run loose. Thanks to these two young men who showed enough concern to save these two deer.

We were sorry to hear that Les Haas of Tory Hill slipped on the ice and broke his hip. He is in Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay if anyone would like to send him greetings. Mr. Haas is 89 years old and we wish him a speedy recovery.

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READY TO HELP: Michael Kitcheman and Zita Devan can provide jobsOntario funding to help employers hire workers who require training. It's part of the province's attempts to get people back to work. Up to \$10,000 is available for every person who is hired under the program.

Training funds help businesses add jobs

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Employers who want to create new jobs may be able to get a little help from the provincial government.

If a newly-created job requires some on-site training, then the employer can apply for a jobsOntario training grant. It will pay for up to 35 percent of the employee's wage during training, to a maximum of \$10,000.

So far, 37 new permanent jobs have been created in Haliburton County under the program.

Training dollars are available to offset the costs of bringing someone up to peak performance," says Zita Devan, jobsOntario Training project co-ordinator for Sir Sandford Fleming College. "The big thing is it's not a wage subsidy."

Sir Sandford won the contract to be the local "broker" of the program. Based in Lindsay, there is a consultant for Haliburton County, Michael Kitcheman. Because he can only spend one day a week on the jobsOntario program (he also co-ordinates the Futures job program), Devan and two consultants were in Haliburton last week to provide more back-up support. "We're feeling that we need to provide a higher level of service to Haliburton and how do you do that with a one day a week person?" asks Devan. She's hoping they'll be able to come up for a full day once every three months.

Through his visits with employers and the Employment Centre, Kitcheman often finds out what new jobs are coming up. Perhaps an employer is thinking about creating a new job but is waiting until the economy improves. The goal of jobsOntario is to put people back to work, and gives employers a bit of an incentive to create the new job now.

Kitcheman will sit down with

the employer and draw up a work plan. This will include how much time will be spent on on-site training. Will half the employee's day be spent in training? An hour a day? Will there be six weeks of training or six days? A dollar figure is then placed on that training, both in employee wages and the employer's time.

"It's a different concept for them to grasp at first," says training consultant Janet Carroll of Lindsay. "Once you put a dollar figure (for the training) to it, they're quite surprised."

And once they understand that training means money, and training money is available, they're eager to sign on.

Five people have recently got jobs at Auriga, the aircraft manufacturer in Haliburton's Industrial Park. The people didn't need to have aircraft experience, but they did need to have the skills that could translate into this new job.

Other employers using the program include Harcourt Lumber, a canoe manufacturer, retailer, car dealership, auto body repair shop and a construction company.

Of course, there are a few rules. The job created must be a new one; you can't simply be re-hiring an employee who was laid off in the fall. However, if you are teaching that person new skills — training them to be a carpenter rather than a labourer, for instance — you may be eligible. Fifty percent of the training credit must be spent on the new employee, and 50 percent can be spent on other employees, including the employer.

As well, the person hired must have exhausted Unemployment Insurance claims. "The provincial government is concerned about the impact of welfare," says Devan. "These are people who need to get back to work."

With the recent recession, many of the people who don't have jobs are highly skilled. Of the

people already signed on through the program, some have university degrees, some have Grade 10. "They can bring with them useful skills but the have to be taught the application (on the job site)," Kitcheman says.

"We're talking about a very skilled work force," Devan adds. "This is not a program for the hard-to-employ. For 35 percent of the salary, the employee can't come with a lot of barriers to employment. They have to be job ready."

Workers also have to compete for the job, it's not guaranteed. Kitcheman might tell three people that the job is available. They then have to sell themselves to the employer, who makes the final decision.

jobsOntario Training will do all the paperwork.

There is also a pre-employment component to the program to address training gaps. "As we speak, we're offering Job Skills for the 90s, a 10-week course," says Devan. "There are going to be jobs coming up, let's make sure you're ready for them."

The course concentrates on everything from specific skills such as computers, to all the "soft" skills lost during unemployment, such as self-confidence. There are still a few spots left and as long as you qualify under the jobsOntario criteria, transportation costs can be covered.

This part of the program is also ideal for the worker who will be guaranteed a job once certain skills are brought up to level. For instance, a draftsman now needs experience with CADs, computer assisted design. Training could be subsidized off-site. As well, there

Libertarians decide to contest Victoria/Haliburton by-election

Bobcaygeon resident Ron Hawkrigg has been chosen as the Ontario Libertarian Party candidate in the Victoria-Haliburton by-election. He received unanimous confirmation by the Party's executive and Party Leader, John Shadbolt at a recent executive meeting. "This election is about taxes and jobs," Hawkrigg says. "Too many taxes and too few jobs."

"This recession has hit my home constituency harder than many others in Ontario. And all the politicians at Queen's Park are doing is spending more, putting us deeper in debt and

chasing jobs and business away with more taxes, regulations and too much government."

His party aims "to get government back to basics because it is now out of control. The big three parties have all had a hand in the big spending and growth of government."

In his campaign he will use a mobile campaign office so he can go to the voters. "A store front office is not required for a practical campaign," he commented. "Besides, most storefront operations end up being paid for the taxpayer and are nothing more than coffee shops for the party

faithful. I want my people out working."

Party Leader John Shadbolt will be working with Hawkrigg over the next few weeks as will former Party Leader Jim Stock. Shadbolt says. "I want voters in Victoria-Haliburton to know they have a real choice this time. Our party's principles make plain common sense — something that has been lacking in this province's political life for some time."

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New resident welcomed with music

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February 26, 1994: The staff and residents welcomed a new person this week, Jane Roberts. Everyone hopes her stay will be long and happy.

The Valentine's Day Party was held on the 14th with Gord Kennedy at the piano. With hardly

a break, Gord played and the residents danced with the help of the volunteers Ann Schell, Betty Inglis, and Edith Hoxie. Even those in wheelchairs moved to and fro to the music.

Barb Fryer has asked to thank the students from the community who very generously brought and sent Valentines to the residents.

Betty Salvatori led the residents on Tuesday for Bible Study. Later the volunteers helped with bingo.

The residents regret being unable to attend the Luncheon planned at the Legion.

On Thursday due to illness, Gord Walsh was unable to participate in the Birthday Party. Jock Mavor came in his stead, to the delight of the ladies, and sang some of their favourite songs.

The Birthday Party was for Mary Thomas, Wilma Watt, Ruby Miller, Lucille Thorne, and Dorothy Harrison.

Baptists build church in Dominican Republic

West Guilford
Eleanor Cooper - 754-2278

Dick Henderson is with a team of six builders in the Dominican Republic for two weeks. Each of these Baptist Church workers has the goal of building an extension on an existing church there and, in the interior, a wall around a church. One of

the others is Ken Leonard of Minden.

Three couples from Guilford have just returned from a week together in Florida Janet and David Bain, Cathy and Brad Griffin, and Norman and Adele Barry. Anglican young people

from Guilford area who attended a weekend at Pioneer Camp in the Huntsville area are: Nicholas and Graeme Fawcett, Emily Claridge, Jean Morrison, and Bob Sisson (son of Vicky and Marty.) Kevin James, executive director of Kawartha Youth for Christ, led the group of 20.

Teens make vows of chastity and fidelity

by CHARLES HUGHES
Harcourt Community Chapel

A GROUP OF about 25 young people from the south east corner of our county have spent a month, ending at Valentine's weekend, studying the value of chastity before Marriage and fidelity after marriage. These young people are in their teens and early twenties. They meet every Friday evening at the Harcourt Community Chapel.

The safe sex myth that is promoted by public health and public education is not worthy of confidence. It should be obvious that teenage pregnancy, abortion and sexually transmitted diseases, not to mention guilt and emotional trauma, have increased under safe sex philosophy. The push toward more explicit safe sex in ever greater quantity can only make things worse.

Sexual abstinence prior to marriage and faithfulness in marriage, if practiced universally, could virtually wipe of AIDS and up to 20 other STDs. Crisis pregnancies and the horror of abortion could also be all but eliminated. A vast amount of emotional pain, guilt and heartache could be avoided by the same practice.

With so much to gain it is unfortunate that the government does not commit itself to advocating

chastity before marriage and fidelity after marriage. Instead it puts its effort into promoting safe sex which not only is not working but appears to aggravate the situation. Dr. James Dobson makes the point that condoms fail to prevent pregnancy 15% of the time and the failure rate to prevent disease transmission is markedly higher.

This group of teens believes that decisions about sexual involvement should be made in a cool, rational setting rather than in a heated, passionate setting. For this reason each one has thought through the issue and has signed the following statement.

"Believing that true love waits, I make a commitment to God, myself, my family, those I date, my future mate and my future children to be sexually pure from today until the day I enter a covenant marriage relationship."

In doing this they are joining with hundreds of other young people across Canada to make this commitment and declare it to the government.

The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada has encourage youth to sign such a statement and when collected these will be forwarded to the government. This will let them know that there are many disciplined, self-controlled young Canadians who are prepared to live on the morally high ground and to contribute to the solution of the aforementioned problems.

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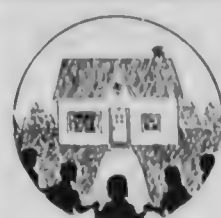
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Sympathy goes out to Jack Craven, in the death of his wife, Nellie, on Feb. 12th. Mrs. Craven was in her 92nd year and had not been well for some time.

Sympathy also goes out to the family of the late Aart Mosterd, who passed away on Feb. 12th. The Mosterd family used to live on a farm on the

Glenarm Rd. not far from Hwy. 35. Aart suffered a fall in his barn and was seriously injured, and never recovered from those injuries. He has been in hospitals and nursing care since his fall about three years ago. Our sympathy to his wife Sietse and family.

There will be some win-

ter weather ahead yet, even though we've had a lovely sunny mild week. Maybe you feel up to taking some Karate Lessons? There are lessons for all ages on Wed. 6:30 to 8 p.m., Saturdays 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Burnt River Recreation centre at Burnt River. Phone Rolan Abraham for the details.

Helen Bradimore underwent heart surgery in St. Michael's hospital in Toronto last Tuesday. Feb. 15th and is doing well.

Get well soon, Helen!

Yours truly, my sisters Denna White of Ajax and Ada Fisher of Lindsay, met in Lindsay for lunch together recently and enjoyed a good visit.

Congratulations to Myrtle Liscombe, who celebrated her 88th birthday on Feb. 18th. This lady is still very active and very much "on the go" all the time.

About 80 people attended the Seniors Pot Luck Dinner held in the hall.

This event is usually well attended and everyone has a good time.

The annual Sweethearts banquet and fun night was held in the Community Hall on Saturday night, Feb. 12th. The pot luck dinner and an evening of fun and games and some lucky draws were held and a good time was held by all.

On Sunday evening, Feb. 20th, the Sunday School Seniors class prepared a delicious turkey

dinner for everyone who wished to attend. The turkey and dressing, vegetables and the desserts were delicious, and the teens are now an experienced team of cooks so the Faith Tabernacle crew will no doubt do a repeat in the future. The dinner was prepared and served in the church basement. After the meal was finished, everyone went upstairs to the church, where a very good Christian film "Sammy"

was shown. The story is about a little crippled boy, whose parents must both work hard to pay the medical bills and Sammy's older brother, Matt. Must give up so much of his life to baby-sit Sammy. A very good film, a treat to see for any age.

The weather has finally warmed up and our snow is slowly melting. Isn't it great to see the little puddles all over the place? Let's hope we don't get a lot more snow and old man winter has seen his better days!

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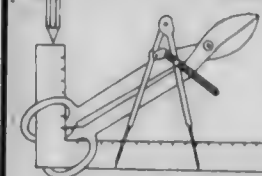
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Community news



A SIGN OF ACHIEVEMENT: These three Haliburton Girl Guides have completed a wide range of tasks which entitled them to their All-Round Cord: Amberley Pergolas, Ashley Hartin and Ainsley Hoare.



NEW PATHFINDERS: These girls recently became full members of the Haliburton Pathfinders, from left: Back row: leader Nancy Stinson, Amberley Pergolas, Angela Fearrey, Andrea Bull, Ashley Hartin, Courtney Wilson, and Amanda Hiltz-Bontje. Front row: Reagan Brown, Carrie Morrison, Vanessa Roberts, Meaghan Kennedy and Sarah Burk. (Missing are Brittany Hewitt, Sarah McMahon and Shannon Stinson.

Haliburton Guides among the last to receive their All-Round Cords

On January 19, the three girls shown here received their All-round Cord. These three girls have completed the Guide Program and are the last girls in Haliburton County and possibly anywhere to receive this special award. In 1993 the All Round Cord was discontinued and only those girls who were near completion were allowed to receive their cord.

To add to this special evening, each of the girls had one of their parents present them with their cord in the front of the Pathfinder Unit, and their leaders Nancy Stinson and Shannon Stinson. Laurie Smith was unable to attend the ceremony. The ceremony was fol-

lowed by the Enrolment of the 1st Haliburton Pathfinders, which has grown this year to 13 girls. They meet Wednesday Nights in the Bottom of the Library.

The New Pathfinders are shown in the group picture from left to right: Back Row: Mrs. Stinson; Amberley Pergolas; Angela Fearrey; Andrea Bull; Ashley Hartin; Courtney Wilson; Front Row: Reagan Brown; Carrie Morrison; Vanessa Roberts; Meaghan Kennedy and Sarah Burk (Missing are Brittany Hewitt; Sarah McMahon, 2nd year Pathfinder) and Shannon Stinson.

February 20 to the 27th was Guide/Scout Week throughout the World. All Guides around the World, including the Highland District Girl Guides. The District consists of girls and women in the age of five and up are in Units and located in the villages of Haliburton, Wilberforce, Minden and Gooderham. These girls and their leaders joined together Wednesday night at J. Douglas Hodgson School to celebrate this week and also celebrate Thinking Day which was February 22. Both Lady Baden-Powell and her husband Lord Baden-Powell the founders of Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, celebrated their

birthdays on this date and so the Pathfinders took time on February 22 to join with other Guides and Scouts around the world to remember their sisters in Guiding and the World Association of Girl Guides. Guiding is for women and girls, young and old. A woman this past year at the young age of 92 asked if she could join the Guiding Association because it was something she always wanted to do and so she has joined and is enjoying herself.

Anyone wishing to join Guides or become a Leader should contact one of the Guides or their Leaders. Leaders are always needed.

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nation. The nominations will be received by an Advisory Council which will submit a list of the 12 most deserving nominees to the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario. The Lieutenant-Governor will present the medals to the recipients at a special ceremony at the Ontario Legislature on June 30, 1994.

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Kids are really hopping

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Or perhaps learning about the wind stirs an interest in you or the children you care for... then come make kite and blow bubble pictures with us at our Minden Resource

Centre. There are an incredible number of wonderful activities planned for March at both of C.H.A.C.E.'s Resource Centres for our caregivers and parents! Check out the centres' calendars and plan to attend the events that appeal to you the most. And remember, C.H.A.C.E. Resource Centres are free to all families and caregivers.

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In closing, I'd like to extend a special thank you to the local businesses and individuals that contributed to the costs of the programming that happened at C.H.A.C.E.'s Resource Centres over the months of January and February: McKeck's Place; Ray Selbie; Financial Concept Group; Family Medical Centre and Gord and Donna Monk. The exciting programming we offer would not be possible without their efforts!

Two colourful cockatoos brighten residents' week

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Saturday Fran Hart came in with two cockatoos. One was six years old and it rode around on several remote control cars. It was many different colors and talked a bit. The other one was seven years old and talked a lot. It had a yellow head and a lovely green body with some other colours.

Sunday Estella Burch came to read to us in the Primrose Lounge. Usually she reads for only one hour, but this Sunday she read for two hours because the book was so interesting. All our thanks to Estella. In the evening, Rev. John Burgess held the Chapel Service and June Mason helped by playing the organ. Sincere thanks John and June.

Monday was devoted to resident council. New officers were elected: President, Lilian Harrison; Vice President, Winnifred Barnum; Secretary, Judy Stevenson; and Treasurer, Ken Anderson.

Tuesday Chapel Service was conducted by Rev. P. Walford-Davis. This service was a memorial service for Ken Campbell who passed away January 24, 1994. Our sympathy to his family and friends. During the service Rev. Walford-Davis gave anyone who knew Ken the opportunity to give a short Eulogy. Doris Robertson spoke of her contact with Ken while he was here

and Jock Mavor spoke of his friendship since they were in the Airforce together. It was a lovely service. Jean Cox played the organ. Our thanks to everyone.

Margaret O'Shaughnessy came for crafts in the evening. Pearl Cowan also came in to help us play cards.

Wednesday, we were very happy to have Jock

Mavor sing and play his Omnicord. He and his wife had been in Florida for sometime.

Thursday was the Tea Party. The ladies from the Allsaw Pentecostal Church came down to bring tea for us. It was a delicious tea served by the following ladies: Julie Goodwin, Margaret Murray, Elsie McPhail, Ruth Nesbitt, Kathy Gartshore, Cathy Mitchell, Donna Bath and Becky Schwartztruber. After the tea the ladies led us in a hymn-a-long. We truly enjoyed the afternoon and

thank them all for coming in. In the evening Kathy Woods came and called bingo for us in the dining room. Thank you Kathy.

Friday we watched a Danielle Steele Video in the auditorium and had happy hour in the afternoon. The entertainment was Doris on the piano and Norm Graham playing the violin. The Residents and friends who felt like doing their own thing did it.

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The Haliburton Social Action Committee seeks applications for a position on the Board of Directors. The Haliburton Social Action Committee is a voluntary non-profit organization that addresses social issues in the County of Haliburton. It also administers the Case Coordination Program for families of children with special needs. Applicants must be 18 years of age or over and residents of Haliburton County. Interested applicants are invited to send a letter of intent and resume by Friday March 11, 1994 to Haliburton Social Action Committee, Box 179, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0. For more information call 457-1888.

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311 GREETINGS

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320 PERSONAL

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330 THANK YOU

I WOULD LIKE TO Thank my friends and family for their assistance when my husband (Herb) was ill. special thanks to Dr. Hartwick and the V.O.N. nurses for being with me when needed and all the sympathy cards received, donations of food and flowers at the funeral. Sincerely, **Isabelle Porath.**

WE WISH TO EXPRESS heartfelt thanks to relatives, friends and neighbours for expressions of love and sympathy in our loss of a truly wonderful mother and grandmother, **Iva Raby.** Thank you to the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, to Rev. Peter Wolford-Davis for his words of comfort. A special thank you to the ladies who prepared the lunch following the service. Your thoughtfulness was deeply appreciated. Gentle, unselfish, a friend ever true; Our best possession, Mother, was you. Sincerely, **Betty, Ross and families.**

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THE KIWANIS CLUB of the Kawartha wish to thank Mrs. Nedean Bull, Worthy Matron of the Highland Chapter, order of the Eastern Star, 92-93, for donating \$800. from the Worthy Matrons project to the children's wish foundation - Peterborough Chapter. It is donations such as this that help wishes come true.

WE WISH TO THANK our friends and neighbours for the many cards, phone calls, flowers and charitable donations made in Ron's memory, and received as expressions of sympathy during our recent bereavement. To the many people who cared and showed concern for him during his illness, while at home, and later as a resident of Extendicare. Drs. Hartwick and Good, V.O.N. nurses, Red Cross Homemakers, Royal Canadian Legion Br. 129 and the Ladies Auxiliary, Extendicare staff, Palliative Care Team members, and the Haliburton U.C.W. for the funeral reception, your understanding and thoughtfulness have been truly appreciated. Sincerely **the Tyler Family - Cathy, Sharon, Jean, his sisters and brothers.**

340 BIRTHS

DEREK JAMES BAIN and **BRENDA ANN HARRISON** would like to announce the birth of their daughter
APRIL ANN BAIN
weighing 4 pounds 14 ozs. on Feb. 6, 1994. Granddaughter of Rick and Joyce Bain and Glen and Betty McPhail. We would like to thank friends and family for the lovely gifts and kindness. Also Doctors and nurses that helped deliver and took special care of her in the Peterborough Civic Hospital. Thank You, Derek and Brenda.

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340 BIRTHS

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JOEL NATHANIEL
born on Wednesday, February 23 at approx. 8:50 a.m. weighing 7 lbs. 14 ozs., at Haliburton Hospital. Heartfelt thanks to Dr. Norm Bottom, R.N. Lynn Johnson and the rest of the hospital staff. Proudest parents are Ken and Sandra Stevens. And the pregnant lady was very good!

WOOLACOTT: Ken and Rose are proud to announce the birth of their daughter

JENNIFER ROSE
a sister for Christopher on February 18, 1994 at 1:14 p.m., weighing 8 lbs. 10 ozs. Ninth grandchild for Lorne and Joyce Woolcott of Tory Hill and fifth grandchild for Reina Barrette of Haliburton. Special thanks to Dr. Norm Bottom and the nurses and staff at Haliburton Hospital.

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390 DEATH NOTICES

AT REST
Suddenly at Whitby General Hospital, on Monday, February 21st, 1994
JACK FLEMING
(A World War II Veteran)
In his 74th year.

Husband of Jean, dear father of Janet and her husband Doug Tedford of Minden, Mary and her husband Bob Pollard of Whitby. Loving grandfather of Christopher and Michelle. Dear brother of the late Bill Fleming. Rested at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St., Minden from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday. A Legion Funeral Service was held in the chapel on Thursday, February 24th at 1:30 p.m. Cremation to follow. Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated.

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AT REST
Passed away at Oshawa General hospital on Tuesday, February 22nd, 1994
WILLIAM (BILL) WILSON
In his 76th year.

Beloved husband of Winifred (nee Hollobon), dear father of Barbara and her husband David Pratt, Barry and his wife Susan Wilson all of Windsor, Daniel Wilson of California, dear step father of Joan and her husband Mills of Whitby, Alfred and his wife Ruth Brady of Hazelton, B.C. Loving grandfather of 14 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild, dear brother of Edna, Mary, Pauline, Harry, Robert and Tom. Rested at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St., Minden from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday. Funeral Service in the chapel on Friday, February 26 at 2:00 p.m. Cremation to follow. Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated. Legion Service was held on Thursday at 8:00 p.m. at the Funeral Home.

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400 IN MEMORIAM

COLLIVER, JEAN
It seems such a long time ago That you went away. But when I think of the love we've shared, It seems like yesterday. You taught us how to live and laugh. You taught us how to fly. We learned that if you love someone, They never really die. Our memories will comfort us While love washes away the pain. So fly away free Mom, Until we meet again. Greatly missed and lovingly remembered by **Randy, Steve, Monique, Brent, Louise, Dana, Ken and families.**

LINDSAY, CHARLES R. - In loving memory of our father. May he winds of love blow gently, And the whispers so you can hear That we still love and miss you And wish that you were here! Always in our thoughts and hearts. Love **Dwain, Lisa and Darren.**

McELWAIN, RYAN - In loving memory of our precious son and brother who passed away March 5, 1992. Wishing today as we wished before, God could have spared you many years more. With silent thought and deep regret. Loving memories we will never forget. Remembered by **Mom, Dad and Andrew.**

McPHAIL, PEARL - In loving memory of a very dear grandma, Pearl, who passed away February 28, 1990. Many the thoughts we give to you As the long hours go by. Thinking of the things we used to do And wish, just you and I. Sometimes they make us smile, Sometimes they make us cry, But they are precious to me alone, Memories of you and I. The tears in our eyes we can wipe away The ache in our hearts will always stay. Too dearly loved to ever be forgotten. Lovingly remembered by **Timothy and Kimberly.**

McPHAIL, PEARL - Treasured memories of a dear mother, Pearl, who passed away February 28, 1990. A mother is someone we just take for granted, As though she will always be there, A mother is someone we expect will keep going, In doing more than is a fair share, A mother just gives with love in her heart, A mother, remember, gave you your first start, A mother ignores her own needs just for you, A mother is strong and proud of you too, A mother deserves the greatest award, A mother should be none less than adored, A mother gave you your life and hers, And now there's a void where she no longer stirs. Always loved and deeply missed by **Carol and John.**

400 IN MEMORIAM

MINTZ, MERVAL DUNCAN - In loving memory of a dear son, brother, brother-in-law and uncle who passed away Feb. 28, 1990. We always thought of you as a special one. A loving brother and a wonderful son. Your laugh, your smile, your loving ways Can not be dimmed by the passing days. The years hurry by and change many things But never the love, the thought of you brings.

No space of time, no lapse of years Can dim the treasured past. Sadly missed and ever remembered by **Mom, brothers, Larry and André, Sister Gloria and families.**

STAMP, JEAN - In loving memory of a dear grandmother and great grandmother, Jean Stamp, who passed away March 3, 1993. God saw you were getting tired, When a cure was not to be So he closed his arms around you And whispered come to me You didn't deserve what you went through, And so he gave you rest. God's garden must be beautiful, He only keeps the best. Sadly missed but always remembered by **Melanie, Steve, Matthew and Ashlee.**

STAMP, JEAN - In loving memory of a dear mother and grandmother, Jean Stamp, who passed away March 3, 1993. Oh, what we would give to clasp your hand; Your dear kind face to see; Your loving smile, your welcome voice, That meant so much to me. No one knows the silent heartache, Only those who have such can tell, Of the grief that is borne in silence. For the one we loved so well. Sadly missed but always in our thoughts, **Carleen, Darol, Darol Jr. and Lenord.**

410 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS
In the matter of the estate of **LORNE MAXWELL MORRISON**
All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of the late Lorne Maxwell Morrison, of the Township of Dysart, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 17th day of January, 1994, are required to file the particulars of such claim with the undersigned solicitor for the said Estate on or before the 8th day of March, 1994. AND TAKE NOTICE that after the last date named, the assets of the said Estate will be distributed amongst the persons entitled hereto by the Executor/Administrator of the Estate, having regard only to the claims of which the solicitor below shall have notice. Dated at Haliburton, Ontario this 8th day of February, 1994. **RAYMOND G. SELBIE**, Barrister, Solicitor, P.O. Box 186, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0.

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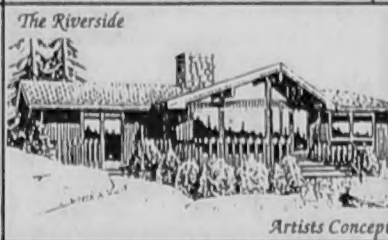
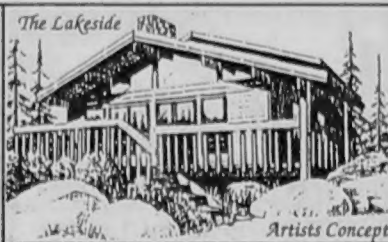
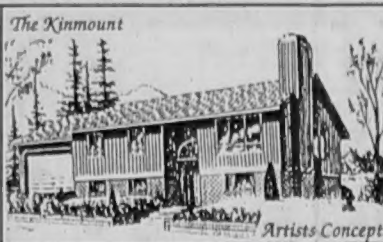
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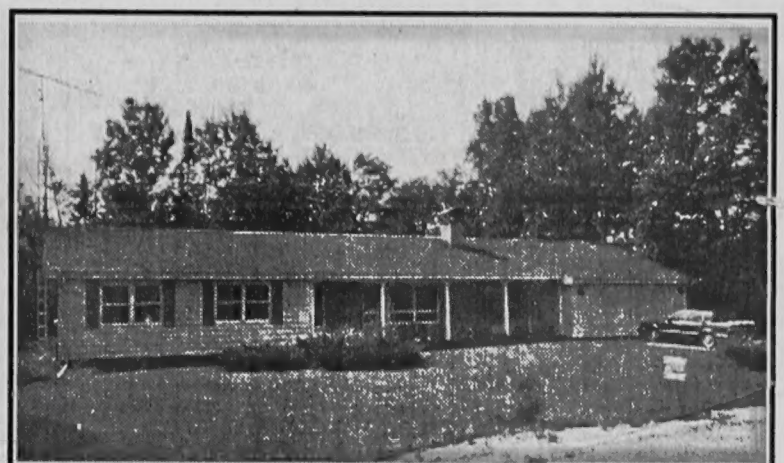
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